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Welcome to Muhlenberg Class of 2000

New Student Activities Director named

This summer, there have been several staff changes at Muhlenberg. They include the transfer of Becky Grace to Student Activities, the appointment of John Kane to fill the job vacated by Grace, and the appointment of Don King as Chaplain. As of this date, a new Greek Coordinator has not yet been hired.

Becky Grace first came to Muhlenberg ten years ago in 1986 as an administrative secretary in admissions. She first came to work at Muhlenberg because of the tuition benefits created for her daughter. She added that it is also a "great place to work."

Grace left admissions to become the assistant to Kurt Thiede, Dean of Campus Life. While serving in that capacity, she helped organize Through The Red Doors and served as advisor to MAC, which she will do now as well. From there, Grace moved to Housing and Residence Life where she was an assistant director. She was responsible for running the housing lottery and listening to student complaints.

She is now the Director of Student Activities, a job she wanted because "it's what I love to do." In addition she added, "Students deserve a better social life and I want to help."

Since accepting the position, many activities have been planned along with Presidential Assistant Lindsey Bennett. On August 31, there will be a student activities fair where students can look at different organizations. On September 1, there will be a drive in movie on Brown Mall. It will feature The Rocky Horror Picture Show. Movies have been moved from Red Door to the theater for a more authentic touch. Grace has worked hard to get all you can eat wings for $4.95 in Red Door during Monday Night Football and Nachos Thursday night during Friends. Trips are also in the workings including some to a winery, paint ball, and New York City. This is all being done to "get more students involved in Student Activities."

After Grace vacated the job in housing, John Kane, a 1992 graduate of Muhlenberg was chosen to fill the position.

The excitement is building

Brown Beach Volleyball.. now a fond memory due to the attempt of The College to house and overflow of Muhlenberg students. The dorm became necessary when enrollment for this school year exceeded that of last year by 70 students making more housing a must. Many heard rumors of a new dormitory last spring, with confirmation coming in the form a letter from Housing this summer. Many students, especially some possessing poor lottery numbers, were thrilled to now have living arrangements more to their liking.

This modular structure, located on the West side of campus, will house 113 students in total. The project will not be completed until mid to late September, so the College had to make other living arrangements for those students who chose the new dorm. Most students will be housed in local motels until construction is finished. By the time most students arrive, the outer construction will be done and only electrical and masonry work will be incomplete.

This new dorm is a bit different due to the fact that it is modular although it will be permanent with a full basement laid in. Each room will come complete with a private bathroom and controls for both heating and central air conditioning. Like the other dorms, there will be a computer lab and student lounges. The outside of the building will be brick with cast stone. Handicap accessibility will be made possible by an elevator and a ramped walkway.

Also, Campus Safety has moved to the offices across from Housing in order to make it accessible to handicapped students. The space was renovated from student organization offices to suit the needs of its new occupants.

New windows have been installed on the first three floors and basement of Martin Luther Hall. They will provide better air flow. ML has also been wired for internet access.

Admissions records soar to new heights

Muhlenberg College has reported a record number of applicants for the Class of 2000, and is expecting its second consecutive year of record enrollment. Enrollment is expected to be roughly 1,760 for the upcoming academic year. This is higher than last year's record of 1705. It is also reported that there is a significant rise in the quality of the applicants.

The College has reported record numbers in total applications, and in early decision applicants and seats filed, as well as in the level of SAT scores and high school class rankings of the incoming students.

Muhlenberg's record admissions come at a time when increased enrollment is being reported by most Ivy League and other prestigious institutions, but many other private liberal arts colleges, many that traditionally were Muhlenberg's competitors, are struggling to attract students.

"The conclusion is that this is another major step forward for Muhlenberg College and our plan to be one of the most competitive and sought-after colleges in the nation," said Arthur Taylor, President. "At a time when there are fewer 18 year-olds who can afford this kind of education, some colleges are flourishing and others are not." Taylor credited the College's program of "Student Focus" for enriching the College's reputation, a program which has since earned Muhlenberg a reputation as the "Caring College."

Christopher Hooker-Haring, Dean of Admissions, commented, "We have cultivated a very carefully conceived market niche and defined it much more clearly than many other colleges, " he said. "We challenge the intellectual capabilities of our students, but also provide them with the care and nurturing they need, " he added. That's one reason over 95 percent of the class of 1999 are returning for their sophomore year, an excellent retention rate. He continued, "We are still a traditional liberal arts college but we are very intentional about linking liberal arts to practical applications that can be used as a springboard for graduate school and professional careers. That has attracted many students to Muhlenberg."

From the Editor

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the class of 2000 to Muhlenberg. As you sit back and take in your new surroundings, realize that you have become part of something that can be potentially great for you. That is, if you get active and participate. Muhlenberg is full of students who give so much of themselves and it is now your turn to get involved. There are so many activities and organizations at Muhlenberg that there is surely something for everyone. Whether your interests include sports or music or religious activities, find somewhere to get involved. Before you is a chance to make a difference on this campus. Everyone has that capability. All you have to do is capitalize on that chance. Find what interests you and go to a meeting or a practice and find out what it is like.

You probably have many questions and do not worry because you will find all the answers you need in a very short period of time. There are many people on campus prepared to help you if you need it. Be familiar with these people and seek help if you need it. A good place to turn if you need some help with something is Rudy Ehrenberg, the Dean of Students. It is his job to look out for your best interests so he will see any student quickly. Another personwho is there to help you is Student Body President Eric Rudolf. If you feel he can be of assistance, give him a call.

I hope you all have a fantastic orientation weekend and a fantastic first year at Muhlenberg.

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Stan the Mule

STAN the MULE
by: Christian SUBBIO
here, fellow mules! If you heard already, rumors are about the administration's plan to make Muhlenberg a "smoke-free" campus.
If passed, this kind of rule could be the start of a long chain of regulations that could make Muhlenberg quite a scary place! Just look...
September 1, 1996 - Muhlenberg becomes a "smoke-free" campus. Students and Faculty alike are forced to stand in the streets off campus to smoke. This daily ritual becomes known as "Hands Across Muhlenberg" to witty wags. Muhlenberg students become known for their quick temper and unfriendliness, brought about by "nic-fits"!
October 10, 1996 Muhlenberg become "profanity-free" campus. Campus safety authorized to write up any student found using "naughty words." Social code stat "multiple incidences will result in a wa out of the mouth with soap."
I swear! I said "oh SHOOT!", not "oh...."
1996 - Monitors are placed in the Zoom to ensure that students eat 1 serving of vegetables. Visitors dessert. When pressed for pa on their reasoning, adminis reply, "All good boys and girls ir veggies."
September 5, 1997 Muhlenberg becomes a "sugar-free" campus. Administration explains: "We don't want our students bouncing off the walls from eating sugar. Besides, it causes cavities."
COLD DRINKS
YEW! BROWN Sprout SODA!
SUGAR FREE!
Further changes in school policy beco to graphic to depict, such as pub floggings & canings for violations social & academic codes. This mus be stopped! This is your campus, so let your voice heard!*
* last 2 sentences most powerful read over an orche rendition of the Ala

This copy of Stan the Mule was published last year. Look for new Stan the Mule comic strips coming later this semester. Stan the Mule is drawn by Christian Subbio, the class of 1999.

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Rosie O'Donnell strikes gold with new variety show

Who says that quality TV is a thing of the past? With her new show, Rosie O'Donnell has struck gold. The show, which is almost like a morning version of the Tonight Show, is truly worth an hour of viewing. O'Donnell started the show to be able to settle in one location and work convenient hours due to her adoption of a newborn son.

Each show is opened with an introduction from an audience member and followed by her famous jokes. She never fails to draw tremendous laughs. She uses her best talents as a comedian to succeed: an ability to attack anyone, an extreme outspokenness, and an ability to amuse all kinds of people. O'Donnell pokes at everyone but her personal favorites seem to be Republicans and Donnie Osmond, who called her fat on an early episode and came back to apologize.

Already, a few tradition have been set on the show. Each day, O'Donnell asks the audience how they know the last joke has arrived and they respond "because it's taped to the desk." Also, she keeps a mini toy store on her desk including Koosh Balls, dolls, and pictures.

Also unique to Rosie is the way she like to recruit guests. Most people use booking agents but if Rosie really wants you she simply woos you on the air. She starts to talk to people and then says call me and come on soon. No too surprisingly, most respond for the chance to be on the show.

Great interviews are done on the show with a variety of guests. There have been actors, actresses, singers, politicians, musicians, friends, and even employees of the show. Many bring Rosie a present to add to the collection on her desk.

In the end, The Rosie O'Donnell Show provides an hour of good comedy, laughs, and quality television. Rosie's great personality is what truly makes the show and A+!

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Movie Bytes

Your guide to movies in release

Alaska-(PG)-Two children go into the Alaskan wilderness looking for their father, a pilot lost in a downed plane. Along the way the are befriended by a polar bear cub and experience some exciting adventures. **

Bordello Of Blood-(R)-A typical Tales From The Crypt Movie featuring Corey Feldman and Dennis Miller. It has blood spurting and the expected topless women. It takes place in a vampire's den which doubles for a whorehouse. Full of one-liners and attempts at sick humor.

Chain Reaction-(R)-This movie centers around the story of lab worker Keanu Reeves and physicist Rachel Weisz. The two are accussed of killing their project director who was working on a cold fusion experiment on behalf of a national enemy. The movie includes many hollow chase scenes *

Courage Under Fire-(R)-Denzel Washington is charged with determining whether or not an injured helicopter pilot (Meg Ryan) deserves to be the first female recipient of the Medal of Honor. At the same time, Washington's character confronts his own failures on the battle field. Excpetional acting.

Emma-(PG)-The story of a matchmaker (Gwyneth Paltrow) of a middle class town based on the 1816 novel by Jane Austen. Paltrow herself falls in love and undergoes a dramatic maturation.

Escape From L.A.-(R)-Escape From L.A. is the sequel to Escape From N.Y.. THis time, the plot is better, the acting is better, and the special effects are better. Snake PLisskin (Kurt RUssell) is sent to the island of Los Angeles, now a prison, to rescue the President's daughter.

The Fan-(R)-Bobby (Wesley Snipes) is ahighly paid San Francisco Giant who is in a slump. Gil, an unemployed knife expert played by Robert Deniro, deicdes to stalk Bobby go as far as to kidnap his son to force him to hit home-runs under pressure. The movie never takes off nd falls flat on its face.

The Frighteners-(R)-Michael J. Fox plays Frank Bannister, a supposed expert on spooks. He is able to see the Grim Reaper who takes people's souls as they die. A doctor begins to believe in him. The movie is a decent horror picture with a few attempts at humor and good special effects.

Jack-(PG-13)-The story of a ten year old boy (Robin Williams) who suffers frmo a disease that makes his body age at four times the normal rate. The first half of the movie is pure humor but it turns into a drama as the effects hit Jack/. Williams personality carries the movie.

Kansas City-(R)-A story about America and its heartland. It contains a good mix of comedy and despair that seems real. We learn the story of Blondie, a switchboard operator, a a jazz singer played by Harry Belafonte.

Multiplicity-(PG-13)-The story of a pushed to the max contractor who creates three clones of himself to help out. The three bicker incessantly and all chase his wife (Andie MacDowell).

The Nutty Professor-(PG-13)-A remake of Jekyll and Hyde starring Eddie Murphy as ab overweight scientist who takes a potion to transform. The best scenes come at the family dinner table where Murph plays mutliple characters. In the end, we learn it is best to be ones' self.

Supercop-(R)-Action hero Jackie Chan is an undercover cop assigned to bust a drug ring. This movie also stars Michelle Khan as a sidekick who has no trouble holding her own. Typical Chan action stunts and excitement.

Time To Kill-(R)-A look into the Deep South throught he trial of a black man accussed of killing the white men who raped his daughter. This movie provided the debut of Matthew McConaughey who has beomce the latest heartthrob. Sandra Bullock makes an appearnace as a law student to provide some hepl. THe best part of the movie ios the closing argument by McConaughey where he admits a black man caanot receive a fair trial in the South.

Tin Cup-(R)-The story of Roy (Kevin Costner) who is in Texas giving golf lessons to get by. He becomes excited by Dr. Molly Griswald (Renee Russo). He is thwen offerend a job as a caddie by David Simms (Don Johnson) who is also Griswald's boyfriend. He does not stay employed and instead decides to play in the PGA Open in an attempt to one-over Simme and win the girl.

Consult the Mule...

your *Weekly* guide to the stars

Aries (3/21-4/19) Getting out of your room this week could be a scramble for you if you have not organized yourself well in advance. Also, an unexpected event may completely change your schedule. A romantic disappointment may be good news when an overbearing type breaks off a relationship. Your financial outlook is excellent.

Taurus (4/20-5/20) Fear and intuition may be confused this week. Check your information with someone you trust, and do not let yourself have an overly emotional reaction when things go wrong. You will survive. Health matters are positive but you must work to maintain this good state. If the days seem to be moving slow, do not fret, it will pick-up very quickly.

Gemini (5/21-6/21) Money news is good, and just in the nick if time, since you need funding to maintain a good lifestyle for the upcoming semester. Your resourcefulness allows you to make things go right even when they seem at their worst. Have confidence that what you need will become available when the time is right.

Cancer (6/27-7/22) It takes courage to speak up when everyone else is going along with something you find questionable. Someone in a position of authority or power appreciated your willingness to stand up for what is right and you will be rewarded. You may find that it even lands you in circles you want to be in.

Leo (7/23-8/22) Following someone else's rules without question lands you in quite a bit of trouble. It will pass if you simply lie low. You need to set up your work environment in a way that is best for you and no one else. You will endure a test of your honesty and integrity that you simply cannot fail. Look for real friends not just those who live next door.

Virgo (8/23-9/22) A comedy of errors will follow you around this week. Do not let an exaggerated sense of dignity keep you from laughing at yourself when it is obviously funny. You feel a sudden urge for complete chaos but be careful how far you let things go. Try not to stress over problems in the romance department.

Libra (9/23-10/23) You are disappointed by someone who fails to support you at a time when you need it the most. There is a connection to paybacks in a romantic relationship that will surprise you. When you try to retaliate be careful that you do not get burned in the end though. Look towards the future in all endeavors.

Scorpio (10/24-11/21) Practicality is the key this week. One way to keep your feet on the ground is to double check all information that comes your way- before going crazy based on incorrect assumptions. Maintaining your optimism requires the help of strong tradition and background, in other words remember what you parents would say in this situation.

Sagittarius(11/22-12/21) The ill health of a loved one has an effect on you despite being miles from home. You need to break free from being the parental figure and go out and have some real fun of your own before it is too late. Let your hair down and go find a really good party this weekend.

Capricorn (12/22-1/19) Be aware of a rumor that could possibly turn people away form you. Nip the untruths in the bud and let people know what a great person you really are. You are a powerful person and do not forget that just because you are in a new place. Draw on your strength to make some real accomplishments.

Aquarius (1/20-2/18) Your instincts do not lie. Follow what you feel in your gut not what those around you say is right. Think about timing this week when you plan to tell people things. Do not catch people off guard or confuse them if you want them to truly understand what you are feeling.

Pisces (2/19-3/20) Communicating your delight with and pride in achievements in friends in important. Let your best friend know how important he/she is and how much he/she means to you. A crisis allows you to see how well you can work under pressure, particularly when the well-being of others is at stake.

Tin Cup a hole in one

Ron Shelton's Tin Cup (Warner Bros., R) has a genial, funky charm. It's like Shelton's great 1988 romantic baseball comedy, Bull Durham, only mellower. Set in the world of professional golf, the most relaxed—you could say laziest— of all major sports, the movie gives off a leisurely, sun-dappled glow, and it provides Kevin Costner with the kind of role that reminds you once again why he's a star. It's been easy to forget what a charismatic sly-dog actor Costner is, because he seems to spend most of his time in overproduced shows like Waterworld or Robin Hood, movies which come off as a depressed surf bum. Costner needs a role with humor. Comedy brings him out— it makes him crinkle up with pleasure— and watching Tin Cup, you can get a lift from his foxy enjoyment of life.

Costner's Roy McAvoy is a golf wizard who didn't have the discipline to make it as a pro. Drive for drive, putt for putt, he's a good as any player there is. By nature, though, he can't bring himself to play the percentages— to aim only for par, to sink a ball in four shots when there's the slimmest chance of doing it in three. Roy has to go for the glory ever time— it's what he thinks the game's about— and so, like a baseball power hitter who inevitably strikes out when he isn't hitting home runs, he's too inconsistent over the long haul to compete with the professionals, who do nothing but play percentages.

With his tournament days behind him, Roy has settled into a life of amiable middle-aged slackerdome. He owns a dilapidated driving range in the west Texas wilderness, where he gives the occasional golf lesson. But Roy is shaken out of his complacency by the arrival of two characters: Dr. Molly Griswald (Renee Russo), a dazzling, sharp-tongued psychologist who's looking to improve her long drive; and David Simms (Don Johnson), Roy's old golf buddy, now a slick pro who wants Roy to caddy for him— and who, it turns out, is Molly's boyfriend. Roy gives Molly a golf lesson in which the double entendres fly thick and fast. Listening to his golf-as-a-metaphor-for-life riffs, we think we know just where the movie is headed. Surely Roy, with his testosterone swing and short follow-though, will have to learn the value of control, both on and off the course. The beauty of Tin Cup, though, is the way it reverses our expectations, allowing Roy to stick to his adolescent guns. He's a man who won't be tamed.

Shelton hasn't made a real knockout since Bull Durham, but when his mojo is working he invests American machismo with more willingness and soul than any other contemporary director. His heroes display the kind unabashed reverence for women that's practically gone out of style. Yet since Shelton makes his heroines brainy and off-center, he can get away with it. Roy is smitten with Molly, and it jump-starts his ambition. He decides to aim for a spot in the U.S. Open, and he becomes her patient as well, using their impromptu therapy sessions to gain flirting time. Russo, who's never had a role this good, gets a wisecrack to match every one of Costner's. There's something touchingly old-fashioned in the way her zeal plays off her outside sensuality-the beautiful big jaw and cascading hair, the sad yet ravishing smile. Russo's Molly is a woman who needs to be won and Shelton succeeds in reviving what today's screwball comedies only pay lip service to: the glory of the chase.

Most of this, naturally, is played out on the golf course. It was an inspired stroke to cast Don Johnson with his charm, as the more conservative of the two men. And Cheech Marin proves a scene stealer as Roy's devoted caddy, who will even break Roy's golf clubs to teach him a lesson. The biggest surprise of Tin Cup is that is turns out to be a far more thrilling sports movie than expected. The suspense of the game, in which Roy attempts to sink the shots of his life, is the most exciting story of the year. The movie is a celebration of what it really means to win.

Looking for a place to get involved and meet people? Want something helpful to put on your resume? Anyone interested in joining the staff of the Muhlenberg Weekly should stop by our offices in the basement of Martin Luther Hall.

Don't miss the drive in movie on Brown Mall. The Rocky Horror Picture Show will be playing on September 1.

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Muhlenberg Appoints New College Chaplain

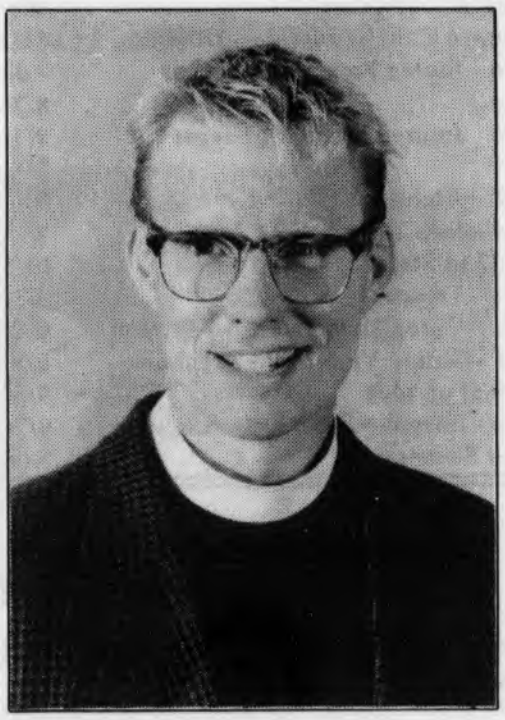
by Heather Brown
News Editor

On July 15, the Muhlenberg College community welcomed a new member to campus. Reverend Don King was installed as Muhlenberg's new college chaplain. The leisurely pace of summertime on a college campus allowed Rev. King to ease into his new capacity, but now he is anxious for a fuller schedule.

Although Rev. King has eleven years of campus ministry experience, he has never before held a position at a school with a religious affiliation. Rev. King views this as an extremely positive opportunity, and is looking forward to serving the college as both a Lutheran minister, and a chaplain to peoples of all faith backgrounds, or lack thereof. A strong interfaith relationship is one of the assets of the college which Rev. King finds most attractive. He notes an energetic support between the various religious groups on campus, and hopes that this will continue to grow.

A main goal of the new chaplain is to know as many students as possible. Rev. King plans to practice "Ministry of Presence" (or "Loitering Ministry" as Rev. King terms it); to go to numerous campus activities, and to be very visible. Another goal is to eliminate the feeling that the chapel is some sort of mausoleum. Rev. King hopes that students will eventually view the chapel as not only a place to worship, but also a place to laugh, to relax, and to have fun. In other words, Rev. King wants the chapel to be a living, vibrant place.

More tangible goals of Rev. King include renovating the basement of the chapel for Muslim worship, organizing a trip to Washington DC over fall break, and incorporating the RIBBON (Remembering Informing Breaking Barriers Outreach Now) program into the Coffee and Fellowship sessions. Additionally, Rev. King strives to bring stability to the chapel. The chaplain realizes that Egner Memorial Chapel has undergone a few rough spells in recent years, and he hopes that it has seen its last interim chaplain.



Don King, Muhlenberg's new college chaplain

There are a few common misconceptions which the new chaplain would like to dispel. Initially, he wants to be sure that Muhlenberg students realize that he will be leading a Christian, not exclusively Lutheran, ministry. Also, he would like to reassert the term 'Christian', so that it includes all forms of Christianity, not just the religious right.

Rev. King's hometown is Cleveland, Ohio. His faith, and, consequently, interest in ministry as a profession, grew during his work at Camp Mowana, a Lutheran church camp in Ohio. He received a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology at Ashland University, and was ordained in 1978. Rev. King served as a Parish pastor for seven years, and switched to campus ministry in 1985. Before coming to Muhlenberg, Rev. King served at both Cleveland State and Case Western Reserve Universities. Religious groups on these state school campuses were regarded as little more than student organizations, so Rev. King comes to Muhlenberg "with [his] eyes wide open,".

Rev. King is eager to keep Muhlenberg's tradition of student led programming alive, and to listen to the needs and wants of first Muhlenberg students, and then to those of the faculty, staff, and community as a whole.

New Greek Coordinator Emphasizes Leadership

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

In the midst of a new marriage and graduation from graduate school, Brian Mauro found himself in the role of the new Greek Coordinator at Muhlenberg College. Mauro, who started on August 7, recently graduated from the University of Ohio with a masters in higher education and student affairs. He says he accepted the position "because it seems like the best fit,".

Mauro is excited about Greek life at Muhlenberg, insisting there are a "lot of leaders in Greek organizations,". He has already formulated several goals for the upcoming year. First, he would like to develop a strong relationship with younger members that will provide a strong base with which to work in the future.

Developing leadership is perhaps his largest goal. To accomplish this, he is creating an "Emerging Greek Leaders Program". That group of approximately ten students will meet once a week for about an hour in an attempt to train Greeks to take leadership incentives.

To allow others on campus to know how much Greeks contribute to the community, Mauro hopes to publish a bimonthly newsletter. In addition, a Greek awards banquet will hopefully be held to honor those organizations who show exemplary leadership and stability. Groups will be asked to document the work they do so they can receive credit.

In order to make his office more accessible to students, Mauro has moved to the Student Activities Office in the basement of Seegers Union. This will also help in the effort to tie Greek life in with the Student Activities Office and the Office of Community Service.

Mauro expects Greek organizations to act in a responsible manner, and insists if they do, he will go to bat for them when it comes to parties and other social events.

Mauro added that the rush period is currently going on in order to recruit sophomores to join Greek organizations. He explained that for females, rush is a formal event with many rules and regulations. Rushees will be split into groups and taken on tours of all four houses. The schedule is set up in the following order: first party, skit night, pref night, and finally, bid day will be held on Saturday September 21. For males, rush will be occurring for the remainder of this week and next week. Bid day will occur on Sunday, September 15.

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News Digest

compiled by Jay Faigenbaum and Heather Brown

The United States has launched missiles at selected targets in Iraq in order to retaliate for Iraq's treatment of the Kurds. Economic sanctions will accompany the attacks aimed at getting Saddam Hussein to back out of Kurd areas.

Scientists think have located where the genes that cause Diabetes hide in the body.

Dr. Jack Kevorkian has recently assisted in his thirty-ninth suicide, helping a man in Tennessee who had cancer.

President Clinton and Republican challenger Bob Dole continue to throw punches at one another. Clinton is claiming Dole's tax cut plan will cost Americans dearly. Clinton also bashed Dole's criticism of teacher's unions. On the other hand, Dole called Clinton a toll bridge to the future implying he will continue to radically increase taxes.

For the first time in the current decade, the salaries of medical doctors has declined. Managed care os the main cause of the drop.

Hurricane Edouard failed to do any serious damage, and continues to lose strength as it heads toward Halifax, Nova Scotia. Meanwhile, Hurricane Fran is forecasted to reach the United States sometime today.

The welfare bill signed by President Clinton will help in tracking down fugitives: police will have permission to match names on arrest warrants with previously private addresses on welfare rolls when the bill takes effect July 1, 1997.

Preliminary testing done by the Boeing Co. on TWA Flight 800 indicates that an explosion of the center fuel tank alone would not have been powerful enough to bring down the plane. This information strengthens the theory that the jumbo jet was brought down by a bomb or missile. Investigators maintain that there is not enough information to declare the explosion a criminal act.

Russia's government voiced its first serious reservations regarding the Chechnya peace plan. Prime Minister Viktor S. Chernomyrdin is worried about the price of the deal in political terms and its effect on Russia's territorial integrity.

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Possible drug paraphernalia found in East Hall

8/9/96 - Theft - Life Sports Center
8/9/96 - Fire Alarm - 2208 Chew Street
8/11/96 - Injury - Center for the Arts
8/13/96 - Fire Alarm - Martin Luther lobby
8/15/96 - Theft of drill - Liberty Street
8/15/96 - MVA - TKE lot
8/16/96 - Injured visitor - New West
8/16/96 - Attempted Theft of laser printer - Ettinger 005
8/14/96 - Trespass - Back Drive
8/20/96 - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - East Hall - a bong
8/22/96 - Fire Alarm - Seeger's Union - working on equipment
8/24/96 - Alcohol violation - Hillside
8/24/96 - Stolen Prop - MacGregor Village
8/24/96 - Injured Student - Seeger's Lot
8/24/96 - Alcohol Violation - Benfer
8/26/96 - Fire Alarm - 319 and 321 North 22nd Street
8/27/96 - Trespass - Prosser
8/27/96 - Unregistered Guests - Prosser
8/27/96 - Safety Violation - Bernheim - individual on roof
8/28/96 - Suspicious person - Gordan and Leh Streets
8/29/96 - Alcohol Violation - Walz
8/29/96 - Assisting other agency - 2227 Liberty Street - assisting Allentown Police Department on a noise complaint
8/29/96 - Fire Alarm - MacGregor 104
8/29/96 - Injured Employee - Leh Street
8/29/96 - Trespass - Football Field
8/30/96 - Fire Alarm - Martin Luther 1st floor - dirt in smoke detector
8/31/96 - Alcohol Violation - Benfer
8/31/96 - Alcohol Violation - Hillside
8/31/96 - Alcohol Violation - Brown
8/31.96 - Theft from vehicle - New West
8/31/96 - Fire Alarm - Prosser 1st floor - dust from housekeeping
8/31/96 - Alcohol Violation - Walz
9/1/96 - Information Report - TKE
9/1/96 - Information Report - AEPi
9/1/96 - Medical transport - Brown
9/2/96 - Theft - Seeger's Union - Bookstore
9/2/96 - Fire Alarm - ATO
9/2/96 - Disorderly Conduct- Trexler Library
9/3/96 - Fire Alarm - Seeger's Union
9/3/96 - Fire/Safety Violation - 320 North 22nd Street

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The Crow- Why it didn't soar at the box office

starring Vincent Perez, Mia Kirshner, Richard Brooks, and Iggy Pop

by John Saverino
Weekly Magazine writer

Set to make the wrong things right, Vincent Perez stars as "The Crow." If you saw the first one, then the sequel will certainly be a disappointment. The basic storyline remains unchanged, although the circumstances are slightly different. Perez witnesses the brutal slaying of his son, and is then given his own death wish. He is later brought back from the dead to avenge the senseless killing of his son. The perpetrators are a band of drug-dealing outlaws who are caught dead in their tracks when they realize that Perez has been resurrected.

The major problem with this movie is that it had no climax and tried too hard to resemble the first "Crow". It seems like they just threw something together without any real thought to whether it made any sense or not. The beginning did provide moviegoers with exciting stunts and an incredible soundtrack, but it became clearly obvious after the first half-hour that this would movie become a tiresome ordeal to sit through. In fact, it was a relief that the movie ended abruptly because I was slowly losing patience.

Vincent Perez's portrayal of "The Crow" didn't exactly inspire any interest in the movie. I have seen better acting in a low-budget kung-fu movie.

The only thing that did catch my eye was the cinematography. The movie was set in a backdrop of a city turned bad. A city of chaos and destruction. The decaying buildings were enough to convey feelings of somberness and despair.

Maybe my expectations were too high. After being thoroughly entertained by the first "Crow," I suspected the sequel would be just as good, if not better. Nonetheless, the movie wasn't developed to it's fullest potential. The screen writing must have been done by a three-year old with a filthy mouth. And I strongly suggest those who are prudent with their money, to wait until it comes out on video.

The Crow II = D-

Bonehead fails to draw crowd

by Olivia Kopchik
Weekly Magazine Editor

Last Saturday night the Life Sports Center was transformed into a small "rock concert". Organized by Becky Grace and the student activities committee, they brought in the group "Bonehead" to kick off the fall semester.

The six man band attempted to get the crowd riled up by flinging their hair, stomping around and throwing beachballs.

Unfortunately, the spirit wasn't there. Few were dancing and the band stopped performing for a while due to the lack of audience.

Quite possibly the lost enthusiasm was because of the segregated dance floor between drinkers and non-drinkers. Can you really have a good time socializing with friends between neon orange gates?

"I found it very degrading that the gym was separated and there were an abundance of security guards. It in a sense felt like my high school prom .Also, we live in ML and were told we had to walk around to the no alcohol side," commented one student.

The band itself was rocking, playing various cover songs that the crowd knew.

" The band was all right. I really wish they played more original songs. Also, the sound was poor compared to many small shows I've attended." says Stefan Miller '99.

It was a good attempt on the part of the college to bring in more activities, but perhaps in the future, they can be more lenient with us.

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Consult the Mule...

Your *Weekly* Horoscope

by Jennifer Zwirn and
Sherry Lynn Fazio
Weekly Columnists

Capricorn 12/22-1/20

Hey there Capricorn...so you're finally close to getting that secret crush you've been waiting for all summer long. Be careful though-rushing things is never the answer. You also may be longing to do something wild and crazy. Go ahead and have some fun-you only live once; just make sure you're thinking straight when you decide to let out all of your energy!

Aquarius 1/21-2/19

All right, Aquarius, so somebody has upset you and it's only the second week of school. Have no fear, soon you'll realize that a close friend may have some definite possibilities for a relationship. Don't be so quick to label somebody as a loser because you really never know. Enjoy yourself and let things fall into place-you'll be glad you did once the holidays roll around.

Pisces 2/20-3/20

Hey Pisces, calm down a bit! You are wasting a lot of energy on being nervous about something that really doesn't matter. Sit back and just relax! Everything happens for a reason so whatever happens will make you stronger. You'll realize when you hear the long awaited outcome that nothing is worth all that worrying about!

Aries 3/21-4/20

So Aries, you had a pretty exciting summer filled with new discoveries about yourself and your pals. Although now you have to put the summer behind you and begin the new school year with a bang! Be sure however, that you finish what you started this summer. You don't want to start the new school year off with unanswered questions hanging over your head, no do you?

Taurus 4/21-5/21

Hey Taurus, what's up with this new personality you somehow developed over the summer?! You have become so much stronger and open to new things. All of your buds have noticed even if they haven't come out and told you. People are beginning to love you even more than they did before, if that's even possible! It's amazing what a summer can do!

Gemini 5/22-6/21

Seems like you're having a tough time deciding between 2 things. What's actually the problem? One's good and the other one's great! Weigh the pros and cons of both and you'll realize which one you really want. Follow what your heart says-things will work out in the end. You tend to be a sure decision maker, so prove it to yourself, Gemini!

Cancer 6/22-7/23

So the semester seems to be off to a great start, eh?! Be sure to keep it that way by sticking to exactly what you need to do. Emphasize your talents and personality. Never be scared to let people in, Cancer. Your pals are around for you-keep that in mind.

Leo 7/24-8/23

Antisocial lately, huh, Leo? Come on down off your high horse and join your pals for a few laughs. Ok, so you're not exactly ready to be here yet-don't worry. You just need to get into your routine again, which yes, Leo, includes opening a book now and then. Start the fall off right-study and enjoy the time with some buds. They all love to be around you and who can blame them?

Virgo 8/24-9/23

You know what, Virgo? You've been selling yourself short for quite a while. It's time you let loose of what's holding you down. You've got 2 feet, so go on and stand on them-alone! You know you're chock full of independence and self-esteem, so prove it to yourself. Walk away from that lousy situation unharmed.

Libra 9/24-10/23

Oh, Libra, just lighten up, will you already? You seem to be so touchy and teary eyed lately. Give it a rest. Nothing is worth getting so upset about. You're even starting to bring your buds down. Good things happen all the time-so what are you fretting over? Your pouting mouth will soon change but until then you've just got to hold your head up high.

Scorpio 10/24-11/22

You've had a lot a baggage laying around all summer-emotional, that is. You're finally starting to get rid of it-go you! Don't let any of it slow down your new strut. It's the start of a great semester, so forget about what happened this summer and get psyched about meeting new pals and going to the hottest events!

Sagittarius 11/23-12/21

A special someone has surely been keeping you busy, Sag. So busy that you've hardly seen your other pals. That's all well and good that you're enjoying yourself but your buds miss you being around. They're all happy for you but just be sure that your friends don't take a back seat in your life. They've been around a lot longer than any beau so keep that in mind the next time you run into one of them.

Weekly Student Activities Guide

Coming up this week

Friday, September 6 6:30 MAC movie---Get Shorty-- Red Door
9:00 Muhlenberg's Own Comedy Improv-- Red Door
10:00 Karaoke-- Red Door

Saturday, September 7 9:00 Comedians: Scared Little Weird Guys, Rich Vos & Mike Denicola-- Red Door

Sunday, September 8 6:00 MAC movie-- Get Shorty-- Recital Hall

Monday, September 9 7:15-- Movie-- Roger and Me

Tuesday, September 10 7:15 Movie-- Roger and Me-- Red Door
9:00 Comedian-- John Pinetier-- Garden Room

Wednesday, September 11 8:00 Speaker-- Michael Moore-- Chapel
8:00 MAC movie-- Leaving Las Vegas-- Red Door

Weekly Events

Mondays Football and Wings Night-- Red Door-- All you can eat wings during the game for $4.95. Stay for the whole game and get a chance to win a $20 gift certificate to Rookies or Outback.

Tuesdays Jeopardy Challenge-- Red Door-- First to answer Final Jeopardy question wins a menu selection.

Thursdays Friends Night-- Red Door-- $3.95 all you can eat nachos from 8-11 during NBC Thursday shows.

Movie Bytes

compiled by the *Weekly* staff

Alaska-(PG)-Two children go into the Alaskan wilderness looking for their father, a pilot lost in a downed plane. Along the way the are befriended by a polar bear cub and experience some exciting adventures.

Bordello Of Blood-(R)-A typical Tales From The Crypt Movie featuring Corey Feldman and Dennis Miller. It has blood spurting and the expected topless women. It takes place in a vampire's den which doubles for a whorehouse. Full of one-liners and attempts at sick humor.

Chain Reaction-(R)-This movie centers around the story of lab worker Keanu Reeves and physicist Rachel Weisz. The two are accussed of killing their project director who was working on a cold fusion experiment on behalf of a national enemy. The movie includes many hollow chase scenes.

Courage Under Fire-(R)-Denzel Washington is charged with determining whether or not an injured helicopter pilot (Meg Ryan) deserves to be the first female recipient of the Medal of Honor. At the same time, Washington's character confronts his own failures on the battle field. Exceptional acting.

Emma-(PG)-The story of a matchmaker (Gwyneth Paltrow) of a middle class town based on the 1816 novel by Jane Austen. Paltrow herself falls in love and undergoes a dramatic maturation.

Escape From L.A.-(R)-Escape From L.A. is the sequel to Escape From N.Y.. This time, the plot is better, the acting is better, and the special effects are better. Snake Plisskin (Kurt Russell) is sent to the island of Los Angeles, now a prison, to rescue the President's daughter.

The Fan-(R)-Bobby (Wesley Snipes) is a highly paid San Francisco Giant who is in a slump. Gil, an unemployed knife expert played by Robert Deniro, decides to stalk Bobby go as far as to kidnap his son to force him to hit home-runs under pressure. The movie never takes off and falls flat on its face.

First Kid-(PG)-Sinbad plays the secret service agent assigned to protect the President's son. The son (Brock Pierce) does all he can to annoy his agent until he realizes that he is a good friend.

The Frighteners-(R)-Michael J. Fox plays Frank Bannister, a supposed expert on spooks. He is able to see the Grim Reaper who takes people's souls as they die. A doctor begins to believe in him. The movie is a decent horror picture with a few attempts at humor and good special effects.

Foxfire-(R)-Angelina Jones plays "Legs," the wild rebel leader of a group of high school girls. Based on a novel by Joyce Carol Oates, the film fails its source by transplanting them from the '50s to the '90s where they make considerably more sense. The actors are all pretty terrific but the film flounders.

Jack-(PG-13)-The story of a ten year old boy (Robin Williams) who suffers from a disease that makes his body age at four times the normal rate. The first half of the movie is pure humor but it turns into a drama as the effects hit Jack. Williams personality carries the movie.

Kansas City-(R)-A story about America and its heartland. It contains a good mix of comedy and despair that seems real. We learn the story of Blondie, a switchboard operator, a jazz singer played by Harry Belafonte.

Multiplicity-(PG-13)-The story of a pushed to the max contractor who creates three clones of himself to help out. The three bicker incessantly and all chase his wife (Andie MacDowell).

The Nutty Professor-(PG-13)-A remake of Jekyll and Hyde starring Eddie Murphy as an overweight scientist who takes a potion to transform. The best scenes come at the family dinner table where Murphy plays multiple characters. In the end, we learn it is best to be ones' self.

She's The One-(R)-After just a few minutes in to the film, it is apparent the film is similar to the Brothers McMullen. It focuses on two Irish brothers in mixed-up romances. The film has big stars like Jennifer Aniston and is a decent romantic comedy.

The Stupids-(PG)-Tom Arnold heads a family of seeming dumbbells in an adaptation of a popular children's book. Completely silly.

Supercop-(R)-Action hero Jackie Chan is an undercover cop assigned to bust a drug ring. This movie also stars Michelle Khan as a sidekick who has no trouble holding her own. Typical Chan action stunts and excitement.

Time To Kill-(R)-A look into the Deep South through the trial of a black man accussed of killing the white men who raped his daughter. This movie provided the debut of Matthew McConaughey who has become the latest heartthrob. Sandra Bullock makes an appearance as a law student to provide some help. The best part of the movie is the closing argument by McConaughey where he admits a black man cannot receive a fair trial in the South.

Tin Cup-(R)-The story of Roy (Kevin Costner) who is in Texas giving golf lessons to get by. He becomes excited by Dr. Molly Griswald (Renee Russo). He is then offered a job as a caddie by David Simms (Don Johnson) who is also Griswald's boyfriend. He does not stay employed and instead decides to play in the PGA Open in an attempt to one-over Simme and win the girl.

The Trigger Effect-(PG-13)-A massive West Coast blackout triggers social and domestic breakdown.

A Very Brady Sequel-(PG-13)-This movie is smart to just go out and be silly and not try to make any sense or be real. The movie is actually very funny and provides a good laugh. It uses many of the same ideas form the original but brings back Carol's dead husband and features a trip to Hawaii.

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Through My Eyes : A New Year and A New Muhlenberg

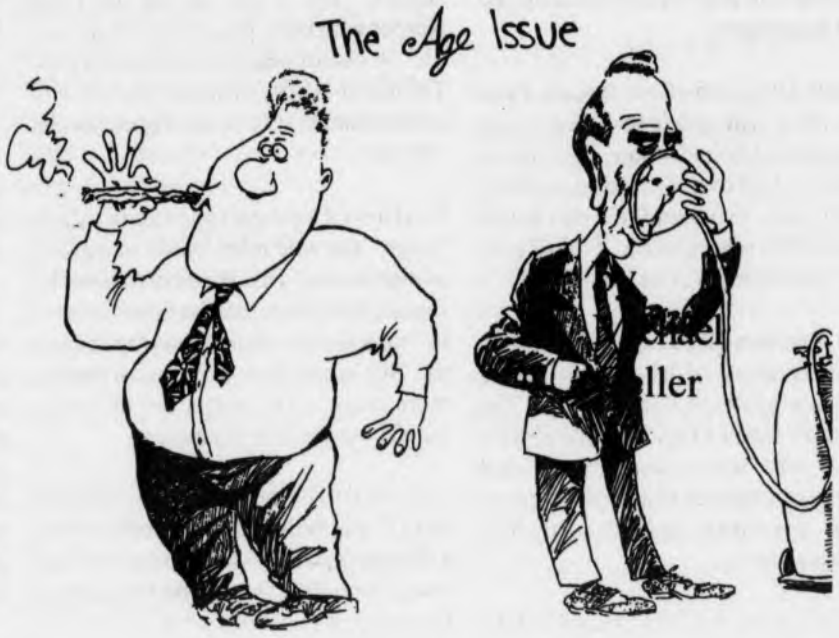
by Michael Geller
Weekly Editorials Editor

Well Muhlenberg , here we go again! With a brand new year ahead of us , and many new things happening , it is time to buckle our seat belts and enjoy the ride. This ride will probably be bumpy , but I doubt that is going to stop any of us from taking it. In fact , I hope to see more people trying to get the kinks out of the ride so it won't be as bumpy.

This year has begun on some positive notes. Our new Director of Student Activities, Becky Grace, has planned more exciting things in the first month of school , then , I can safely say, were planned for first semester last year. We have promises of better relationships between the Administration and our Greek system. And I sincerely hope those promises are kept , because Muhlenberg can not survive without either of them. Furthermore, we have our theatre department which seems to be growing and offers us excellent productions for both the spring and fall. Let's face it, if we remain optimistic and steadfast things will continue to get better.

It has been quite some time since I've sat down to write a column and lucky for me this up-coming year will be filled with lots to write about. (If you thought I was going to get through a whole column without mentioning politics, you will be sadly disappointed) YES, this year is election time and in November we will see who will be our Commander -in-Chief. And because of this event I will be inviting our college Democrats, Republicans, and Independents to submit columns about the candidates and the election. I hope all will accept this invitation and voice their opinion. Also, I hope everyone is a registered voter and will actively, in one way or other , take part in this process that changes our lives.

I'm afraid I don't have much else to say. Things seem to be moving in the right direction and hopefully will produce change. Good luck to all. Through my eyes, Muhlenberg is becoming a place where everybody has a place to enjoy life to its fullest.



STAG the MULE
by: Christian Subbio
Welcome back friends! Here we are with another fresh new year back at the 'berg. What better to embody this renewed excitement than a newly painted "Victor's Lament" sculpture? Let's see what the students think.
Farrrrr ouuut! It looks like..... like a big thing, man. A big thing made out of, like..... licorice, mannnn. A big licorice stick thing, mannnn.
Victor's WHAT? (freshman)
I think that the sculpti: barghhgle glegarbj...
crazy new sprinklers
Victor's WHAT? (senior)
Personally, I think they should have painted it camoflague.

Volleyball team relies on depth and experience to win

Mules sport a new head coach but same winning attitude for new season

by Benjamin David
***Weekly* Sports Writer**

Surely, a season of change has arrived, a transitional period, if you will. We move from the care-free days of Summer to the cool brown autumn months.

Although many things are clearly changing before our very eyes, one thing shall remain unchanged. One thing will continue its tradition as it has for the past five years.

This "thing" of which I speak happens to be one of Muhlenberg's finest athletic teams—the women's volleyball squad.

With their 20-8 record last season, these women became the first team at Muhlenberg to go five straight seasons with twenty or more victories.

Over the past couple of years, they have clearly proven themselves as a team that has learned to couple talent with determination.

This winning combination has made them contenders within the conference year in and year out.

They are known, they have a reputation and this reputation will undoubtedly be tested time and time again in coming weeks, for the dawning of another season is upon us.

Mike Krause has risen from assistant to head coach this year. For the past three seasons, Krause assisted Frank Marino. Now, a nurtured and experienced Krause will take the challenge of steering this women's team towards a title.

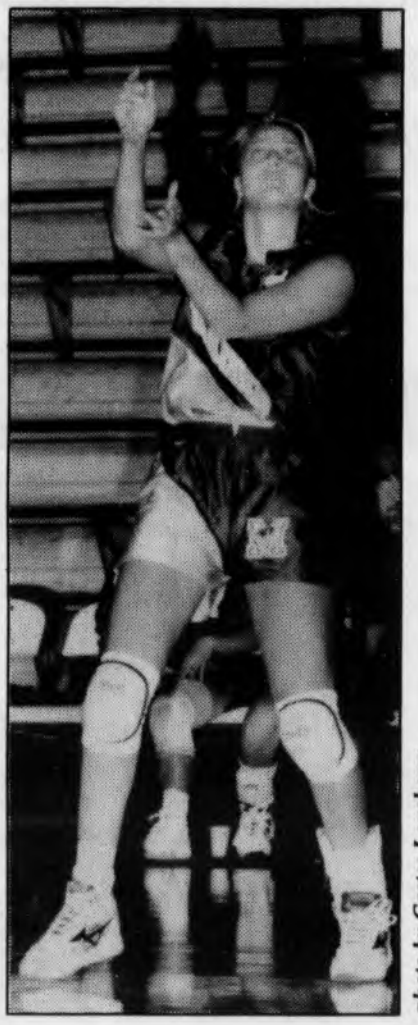
He will have others to assist him in his leadership role, however. This team is returning with a multitude of veteran players. Their roster indicates three returning juniors and one returning senior.

Junior Lauren Buyyounouski is and has been their leading attacker. She has received All-Conference second team recognition as freshman and as a sophomore. She will certainly be one to watch this season.

Other experienced players that should bring both depth and spark to this team are Jennifer Hintz, a senior from Cheshire, Connecticut, Rebecca Lebo and Alisha Nazario. Buyyounouski and Nazario are the team's captains.

The team's overall attitude as they near the season opener is one of great anticipation and hope. Many feel that this is "their year." I guess we'll just have to wait and see.

So it is obvious that the Mules volleyball team possesses depth, experience, talent and a will to win. Also let us not forget that this is one of the tallest volleyball teams that Muhlenberg has ever seen, with six players 5'9" or taller. Anyhow, the stage has been set. These women have their act together, for it is a show that they have seemingly been putting on for years now. The beginning of yet another performance is merely a few days away.



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NATIONAL SPORTS UPDATE

- Dallas Green was removed from his position as manager of the New York Mets and replaced by Bobby Valentine.

- After much speculation and anticipation amateur golf phenom Tiger Woods announced that he is now a professional golfer and will attempt to join the PGA Tour.

- Brett Butler is scheduled to make a return to the Dodgers lineup this Friday when they host the Pittsburgh Pirates. Butler underwent surgery for cancer on May 21st.

- New York Yankees outfielder Paul O'Neill and pitcher Jeff Nelson along with Seattle Mariners catcher John Marzano were suspended two games apiece for their part in a bench clearing brawl last week.

- Emmit Smith was taken to the hospital with an apparent neck injury following the Dallas Cowboys 22-6 loss to the Chicago Bears Monday night. Smith was released Tuesday morning but the Cowboys team doctor said he was fairly certain Smith won't play Sunday.

- New York Yankees pitcher David Cone pitched a remarkable seven no-hit innings in his first major league start since having surgery to remove an aneurysm in May.

Information courtesy of ESPN and USA Today

Women's soccer team counting on youth

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

Youth might be the best word to describe the 1996 Women's Soccer team.

The team looks to improve on last year's 7-8-2 record.

The opening day roster features nine freshmen and six sophomores.

The team will have to rely on these young players throughout the season.

One of those key players is goalie Jackie Vanderstreet. Vanderstreet played every minute in the net for the team last season.

She had an impressive goals against average of 1.31. She also had an save percentage of .896.

This young team is also helped out in the area of defense. Allison Fish and Lisa Wojtowicz will play on defense with captains Laurie Kennedy and Tina Rauchut.

The defense hopes to contain the number of shots on goal, which reached an average of 17.3 per game.

In the mid-field and offense, the presence of the young players is already being felt. Current sophomore Celina Boer, who had 11 points last season for the Mules, returns.

The offense will also feature the play of seniors Kendra Kern and Jill Hoffman, junior captain Denise Diorio, sophomores Amy Kleppinger, Kristen Zito and Molly Kettlewell and freshmen Karen Konopelski, Shannon Lowther and Hilary Moses.

Moses scored the only goal in the Mules first game this season. They tied Misericordia at 1-1.

Look for the Mules to be much improved this season under coaches Leslie Benintend and James Ellison.

They play this weekend in the Skidmore Tournament. The Mules open their Centennial Conference schedule on Tuesday, with a game at Gettysburg.

X-country runs into new season with high hopes for success

by Tony Brown
***Weekly* Sports Writer**

This year's outlook for the men's and women's cross country teams are very optimistic. Both teams are looking forward to posting runners in the top fifty percent in all competitions, with the hopes of several runners posting personal bests during the upcoming season.

This year's teams are lead by a core of senior runners. The captains for the men's team are Tom Bailey and Steven Smullin. The women's team is Susan Borek. Last year, Peter Dunalaevy posted his best personal time and is returning to do the same on this year.

Along with the upperclassmen leadership, there are many new faces to this year's team. Seven freshmen are members of the team. The team also is looking for new members. If you are considering joining the team, you are encouraged to come out and contribute to the program.

The teams look to improve as a team in the team standings department. They face their first tests on Saturday. Beginning at 10 a.m., the teams make their 1996 debut with their first meet. Not only will this meet be their first meet, but it will also be their only home meet of the year. The team will be racing on the Cedar Crest campus course. This is your only chance to see the racing Mules at home.

Weekly Sports

Men's soccer team ready to make another run at the national title

New faces join with familiar ones to fill the void left by graduating class

by C.J. Lenat
Weekly Sports Writer

The Muhlenberg College men's soccer team has already begun it's quest to follow up their Division III semifinal appearance 1995 season with an even better one this year.

As of September second, the Mules are 1-0-1, defeating Marysville College 3-1 and tying Ohio Weslyan 1-1, both Division III tournament teams last season. Muhlenberg is currently ranked first in the Mid-Atlantic region and third in the nation.

Head Coach Jeff Tipping is optimistic about the upcoming season, citing a very strong incoming class.

Dave Ervin, a 6'3" freshman defender, is already making an impact, along with Johan Hohman, a freshman forward who scored three goals in a scrimmage game against Bloomsburg.

Ron Russo and Steve Albrecht, also freshmen forwards, are both showing promise as well.

Coach Tipping stated that it was hard singling out any freshman player, as all are contributing to the team.

Three transfer students also join the Mules this year. Rhett Goldsmith, a junior midfielder, Shane Topping, a sophomore midfielder, and Michael Hamelton, a second semester defender are all new faces, with Hamelton and Topping expected to be starters.

Tipping hopes this year's incoming class can replace some of the "blinding speed" lost with last year's graduating class.

So far, Tipping describes his new players as being "quick, but not blinding."

Tipping is still excited about the new players because they have, as he described it, "at least the same technical level and control of the players lost from last season."

The Mules will need every one of their new players and their veterans to perform well this year in order to duplicate last season's success.

"We got that far because we had a whole team, not just eleven players" Coach Tipping said.

"Our depth got us there last year. We'll need everyone again this year to get to the playoffs."

Lacking from this year's team is experience. The graduating players took with them three years of NCAA tournament experience, and with almost half the team freshmen, the Mules are going to have to get used to high-pressure games quickly if they want to go far in the playoffs.

When asked about the rest of the conference, Coach Tipping stated that Gettysburg and Johns Hopkins are the perennial "big games," and that Washington College and Ursinus College are supposed to be greatly improved from last year.

Every conference game is going to be a battle as, like Coach Tipping said, "when you are the conference champions you are the team to beat, and everyone else is going to play you tough."

When asked about the Mules' chances to have another successful season, Coach Tipping said that its "a little to early to tell, but yes, we can win again this year. With enough drive and leadership, with no injuries, and with a little luck, we can win the conference and make the playoffs."

Asked about the Mules' ultimate goal this season Tipping responded, "what it is every year, to win the NCAA Division III national championship."

NSCAA Division III
Mid-Atlantic Region
Men's Soccer Poll

September 2, 1996

	record	*final 1995 rank*
1. Muhlenberg	**1-0-1**	**2**
2. Elizabethtown	0-0-0	3
3t. Drew	1-0-0	5
3t. Messiah	0-1-0	1
3t. Gettysburg	0-0-0	4
6. Carnegie Melon	2-0-0	nr
7. Johns Hopkins	0-0-0	6
8. Scranton	2-0-0	nr
9. Bethany	0-0-0	9
10. Washington	0-0-0	7

ON DECK AT THE 'BERG

Men's Soccer

Saturday: Home versus Colorado College 3:30 PM
Sunday: Home versus Colby-Sawyer 3:30 PM

Field Hockey

Saturday: Away at Moravian 1:00 PM
Wednesday: Away at East Stroudsburg 4:00 PM

Volleyball

Friday & Saturday: Messiah College Falcon Classic

Cross Country

Saturday: Mule Invitational 10:00 AM

Women's Soccer

Saturday: Away at Skidmore 12:00
Sunday: Away at Goucher 12:00
Tuesday: Away at Gettysburg 4:00

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John Kane employed as Muhlenberg's housing director

by Heather Brown
News Editor

Although he may be Muhlenberg's new Director of Housing and Residence Life, John Kane is not a newcomer to Muhlenberg itself. A '92 Muhlenberg graduate with a degree in education, Kane is truly excited to be back on campus in his new capacity. He describes his recent employment as relatively spontaneous and unexpected. He was informed of a part-time opening in management conferences over the summer, and accepted the opportunity as a great way to become more involved with his alma mater. When Becky Grace, the former Housing Director, made a transition to Student Activities, Kane was offered to fill her old position.

Since his graduation from Muhlenberg, Kane has resided in the area and maintained close ties with various Muhlenberg programs; most notably, the Jefferson program. Before acquiring a position at Muhlenberg, Kane owned his own vector marketing company, which did recruiting for the Lehigh Valley. The business experience Kane gained through this position makes him an asset to the Housing Office.

Other previous experience which provides a valuable base for Kane's employment in housing include three years as a head RA at Muhlenberg. Kane finds it enjoyable to be reunited with the housing staff from 1992, and exciting to be working with some new faces. All in all, Kane feels that the entire housing office is extremely well qualified and dedicated to providing the students with the best possible housing experience. He feels that many of the school's employees have truly and positively moved their positions forward, and cites Becky Grace, Dick Begby, Ken Lupole, Linda Zerbe, and Scott Salsberry as examples of this.

In a nutshell, Kane is responsible for all matters regarding student housing. More specifically, Kane must deal with the individual requests and concerns of each student. Generally, freshman are interested in their roommate situations, and upperclassmen want to ensure that their housing situation improves from year to year. Kane's main goal is to get out among the students; to visit all residence halls and rooms for the students' comments. Kane, as well as the entire housing staff, encourages constructive criticism from the student body. "Unless students come to us with their concerns, we can't make it better," states Kane.

Kane also wants to bring all residence facilities up to the same standard. The New West dormitory will set the standard for all improvements needed in the existing facilities. Kane is very enthusiastic about the new residence hall, and feels that it certainly adds to the diversity of Muhlenberg's residence life. Including the MILE houses, MacGregor Village, and the various dormitories, Kane believes that students have ample choices regarding their housing situation.

In addition to on-campus housing, Kane realizes that the interest in off-campus housing has steadily increased. Kane commented that the application to live off-campus is a mere formality. The recent adoption of this policy is more so that the Housing Office can keep track of where the students are than to regulate who is permitted to live off-campus. Kane adds that he is not aware of anyone who was denied the right to live off-campus. The administration has made an incredible effort to recognize the fact that 99.9% of the students not living on campus are terrific; there are relatively few problems in the surrounding community. The dilemma lies in the fact that when there is trouble, it seems to explode and multiply. The application process really serves to make students more cognizant of the fact that if one lives in a community, he must accept the responsibilities that come with it.

Kane finds his position challenging and interesting. "I learn new things every day," he states. Perhaps the most interesting part of Kane's job is that he is here solely is to serve the students. If there were no student need for him, he wouldn't have a job. He finds the administration friendly, hard-working, and deeply committed to its students. "Muhlenberg is a special place," says Kane, "I really believe in what people do here,".

New director appointed

by Erin Devaney
***Weekly* Staff Writer**

This year, the Muhlenberg College community welcomed a new member. Dr. Robert Everett was appointed director of the Institute for Jewish/Christian relations, and is eager to begin with all his plans for the Institute.

Dr. Everett comes to Muhlenberg with vast experience in his field. He has been involved in Jewish/Christian relations for over 25 years. From Union, NJ, and a graduate of Yale Divinity School, Dr. Everett has spoken in various synagogues throughout the world. His experiences include lectures in Russia, Israel, Lithuania, and England. This year, he will travel to Springfield, MA to attend a seminar on the Holocaust, and to Connecticut, where he will attend a similar national workshop.

Dr. Everett is very excited about his first year as director of the Institute. He says Muhlenberg is, "quite special" in its unique approach to the problem of Jewish/Christian relations. "It is a great honor to be able to work here, to be active in the church, and to teach classes," he says.

There are many events that Dr. Everett and his committee have planned for this year. Trips to Jerusalem, First Friday luncheons, and several "mini-courses", which explore Jewish/Christian relations, are a few of the many activities he has planned. He also hopes that the Institute will become more visible to the student body, and that there will be better attendance by both students and community members this year at their various functions. He realizes that there is, "much to be done" in both the Jewish and Christian religions and their relations, and is eager to get started.

Dr. Everett also hopes to work closely with Chaplain Don King, and together they hope to plan various activities throughout the year. He also hopes to work with Hillel in an Action/Reflection program.

Dr. Everett would like to extend an open invitation to any student or member of the College community to visit him at his office or to take one of the courses he teaches.

New manager to improve food service

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

Gary Holland has been named General Manager of Food Services to Muhlenberg College for the 1996-97 school year.

Holland comes to Muhlenberg through the Wood Company. He has much experience in special events. He spent ten years as one of the food service directors of the United States Tennis Open in Flushing, NY. From there, Holland was hired by the Wood Company to work the 1992 Senior Golf Open.

After that project ended, the Wood Company moved Holland to improve food services at the Air Products Corporation. He was in charge of feeding approximately 2,500 employees. Food service improved significantly while he was there.

He hopes to do the same here. His goal is to bring the food service at Muhlenberg to the next level.

"I hope to improve the cash operations [Red Door Cafe and General's Quarters]. I think that the trend in education food service is retail-oriented. People are looking for a food station concept, not the actual cafeteria line," Holland says.

He adds, "Students are much more educated. They want more options and choices. They know what they want, and there are a lot of students who are health conscious,".

Holland has already instituted many changes. The Red Door Cafe already has a new recipe for their pizza. In the Garden Room, he added a vegetarian bar and a char-broiler grill, so many things are cooked to order. He has also started a batch cooking process.

Holland says, "Rather than cooking everything [before dinner], we cook it as we need it. You get a fresher product. Things aren't dried out. It's more restaurant style,".

Holland also hopes to improve the food visually. He's going to do little things like add garnishing and changing the silver pans to black pans.

Convenience is also a factor into food planning. Muhlenberg is looking in to the possibility of adding a meal period from 10 PM until midnight.

In reference to the cash facilities, General Quarters will add another line to allow for faster service. Holland also hopes to renovate all three facilities during the Summer of 1997. He has been touring other colleges and is looking at the possibility of a food court.

"The school is also generally looking to expand the cash operations. The school's not sure what the scope of the project will be. Whether they want to have an all out renovation of Seeger's Union, or just look at the cash operations"

Holland also says that Muhlenberg is Wood's first account and remains special to the company. The founder of the Wood Company is Scotty Wood. Muhlenberg's premiere basketball tournament is named after Scotty.

News Digest

Complied by Alice Chumard

Seven Iraqi hijackers surrendered to police at London's Stansted Airport after freeing the passengers and crew of a Sudanese airliner commandeered during a flight to Jordan.

Clinton proposed a $2.75B literacy campaign, as well as a limited capital-gains tax break for some homeowners and a measure to encourage jobs for people leaving welfare.

Indian rescue parties have recovered the bodies of 214 people who died when a snowstorm and heavy rains struck a Hindu pilgrim route in the Himalayas last week.

TWA crash investigators found no indication that a short circuit caused the explosion that brought down the Paris - bound 747 off Long Island July 17. This conclusion ruled out one more type of mechanical failure as the cause of the crash.

South Korean police arrested nearly 350 students during raids on 23 universities as part of a crackdown on groups supporting Communist North Korea.

Mutual fund investors are moving strongly back into funds this month, many big fund companies report.

ValuJet won tentative regulatory clearance to fly again. It aims to resume service with as many as nine aircraft, initially serving four cities from Atlanta.

France said it has deported 88 Africans in a crackdown on illegal immigrants that included a police raid last week on a Paris church occupied by 300 people demanding residence permits.

Unemployment fell to 5.1% last month, its lowest rate since 1989, and average hourly wages rose solidly.

Hurricane Fran killed at least 22 people and caused about $1billion in damage when it struck North Carolina Thursday and continued northwest before dispersing.

Yeltsin may transfer power to Prime Minister Chernomyrdin when he undergoes open heart surgery this month, but only briefly, Chief of Staff Chubais said.

The Emmys were held on Monday, September 9. Some of the winners include:

- Best Actor in a Comedy Series: John Lithgow (**Third Rock**)
- Best Actress in a Comedy Series: Helen Hunt (**Mad About You**)
- Best Comedy Series: **Frasier**
- Best Actor in a Drama Series: Dennis Franz (**NYPD Blue**)
- Best Actress in a Drama Series: Kathy Baker (**Picket Fences**)
- Best Drama Series: **ER**

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Campus Safety Notes

12 New sprinklers stolen off campus

9/2/96 - Assault - multiple locations on campus - student on student
9/3/96 - Theft - parking sticker - MacGregor parking lot
9/3/96 - Harassment by communication - Brown
9/3/96 - Harassment - Center for the Arts - student on student
9/3/96 - Fire Alarm - MacGregor 106 - food on stove
9/3/96 - Injured Student - Life Sports Center - student cut on bridge of nose
9/3/96 - Harassment by communication - Martin Luther - ex-boyfriend on girlfriend
9/4/96 - Safety Violation - Hillside
9/4/96 - Vehicle Break-in - 23rd & Chew Street - Raul Reyes and Elvin Rodriquez of Newark, NJ arrested by South Whitehall Police Department
9/5/96 - Suspicious person - Ramada Inn - resident of hotel
9/6/96 - Unregistered party - TKE
9/6/96 - Sick student - Prosser
9/6/96 - Information report - 407/409 23rd Street - minor damage to auto
9/6/96 - Alcohol Violation - David Klimaski - attempt to purchase alcohol with false identification
9/6/96 - Unauthorized party - MacGregor
9/6/96 - Injured student - Life Sports Center - cut above left eye
9/7/96 - Alcohol Violation - East Quad - in front of Martin Luther
9/8/96 - Sick student - TKE
9/8/96 - Reckless Endangerment and Criminal Mischief - TKE parking lot - wooden spool rolled down hill into crowd of people
9/9/96 - Theft - Campus wide - 12 sprinklers stolen
9/9/96 - Theft - Paint shop - 5 gallon bucket of paint stolen
9/9/96 - Fire Alarm - TKE
9/9/96 - Harassment by Communication - Seeger's Union
9/9/96 - Vandalism to Vehicle - 23rd & Gordon

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"RIBBON" project demonstrates concern of many students

by Olivia Kopchik
Weekly Magazine Editor

Last Mondays Coffee and Fellowship dealt with the "Muhlenberg Ribbon Project." Organized by both Patti Mittleman, Hillel director here at Muhlenberg, and Don King, the colleges new Chaplain. The session informed the audience of what they can do for this important cause.

"RIBBON" program stands for Remembering, Informing, Breaking Barriers, Outreach Now. Others involved in this important cause are Hillel, the Chapel, counseling and development, and Greek affairs.

Mondays event included a table set up with sign up sheets for helping out with events dealing with AIDS as well as information sheets and condoms. A video "Common Threads- Stories From the Quilt," was shown, interviewing families and victims of AIDS from all races, ages and religions.

Muhlenberg is taking a stand with this issue by the involvement of the students in various projects, such as the AIDS Memorial Quilt Display in Washington D.C. Twenty-five or more Muhlenberg students will be attending this event which occurs over fall break. These students will stay at Trinity College and volunteer on both Saturday and Sunday.

" I've done a lot of AIDS volunteer work in the past and I think this will be a life-changing experience." says Nanci Bankier class of '99 participant.

Other events include AIDS walk Lehigh Valley on Sept. 29th and the Philadelphia AIDS walk on Sun. Oct. 20th. Students here are more than willing to volunteer their time for this cause.

It seems as though information is constantly being thrown at us about HIV and how to protect ourselves. Individuals still fail to realize the seriousness of this disease. WAKE UP!! One in 500 college students is HIV positive. Don't be stupid; take precautions when having sex. Is it worth dying from one preventable mistake?

BE CAREFUL!! Tattooing and body piercing is a major means of HIV/AIDS transmission. A risk of infection occurs anytime there is an exchange of blood. This includes sharing needles and syringes to inject chemical substances or for tattooing or body piercing. So next time you go get your belly button pierced, inquire about the sterilization process. You can never be too safe!

"50% (1 out of 2) new cases are being reported to the Centers for Disease Control is someone under age 25. This is not someone else's disease. This isn't someone else's concern. This is about each student on this campus. We have to do all that we can to educate ourselves and each other. We have to protect ourselves and each other. For me, being involved in the RIBBON project is a religious imperative. I am very proud of both Lisa Brownstein '98, and Stephanie Melofsky '98 from the Hillel board who pushed to make the RIBBON project happen." says Patti Mittleman, Hillel Director.

Remember, HIV infection is 100% preventable with proper precautions. There is always help for anyone who needs it. There are clinics and hotlines to answer any questions. Why not donate some of your spare time.....

"One who saves a single life is as one who has saved the entire world." - The Talmud.

STD/HIV clinics are held at:
The Allentown Health Bureau
Alliance Hall
245 North 6th Street
Allentown, PA 18102

Local Hotline: 437-7742
National Hotline: 1-800-342-AIDS

Campus and Other Resources:

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Consult the Mule.... your *Weekly* horoscope

By Jennifer Zwirn and
Sherry Lynn Fazio
Weekly columnists

Aries (3/21-4/20) Well Aries, it seems as though you have another semester ahead of you filled with more than you might be able to handle. Remember that when you take on too much, nothing turns out well. Focus your energy in your school work and a few extra things as well as leaving some time for yourself. Everything will work itself out and in the end you'll find that you have more free time than you had originally anticipated. Spend it doing something that makes you happy — after all, you deserve it.

Taurus (3/21-4/20) Hey Taurus... you sure have become quite the risk-taker lately. Even though you are having fun with your new mischievous personality, don't forget about those around you who may be affected by the choices which you are about to make. Your actions may seem quite innocent through your eyes, but others may not share your opinion. Having fun is great and all, but you need to start thinking about what happens next!

Gemini (5/22-6/21) Um Gemini... did you forget that this is the place where you go to school? It sure is great to have your freedom again after that long summer at home, but honestly that is exactly where you are going to find yourself again if you don't get your act together! Did you know that there are classes you're supposed to be attending? Remember when you bought those books a few weeks ago... well now is the time to open them! It's great to have fun, but seriously, now is the time for you to study. There will be plenty of fun after your studying is done.

Cancer (6/22-7/23) Wow Cancer... you have made some major personality improvements lately. Your friends and family have been amazed with the new changes in your life. Your new lighter outlook on life has made you even more likable than before. Even though you anticipated some problems with the new semester, you have really started off on the right foot. Go Cancer! Now you just have to keep it up!

Leo (7/24-8/23) It seems that lately you have been quite agitated with your friends and all their problems for which you seem to be the designated listener. Don't fret over this! People come to you for advice because you have the best words of wisdom a person could want. Consider it as a form of flattery and help out your friends. In time, you too will need somebody to listen and they will all be there waiting to help you.

Virgo (8/24-9/23) Alright Virgo, what is with you and your mouth lately? You seem to really enjoy saying exactly the wrong thing at the wrong time and just waiting for some sort of reaction from people you call your friends. This may have become quite a fun pastime for you, however, soon there won't be anyone there to listen to your little instigating comments. Watch what you say!!!

Libra (9/24-10/23) Hmmm... seems like you've been wearing yourself out lately. Sit back and relax. You may have lots to get done but you won't be productive unless you slow down a bit. Classes are going well- Go Libra! Just remember that having some fun or taking a break isn't a sin.

Scorpio (10/24-11/22) Wake up, Scorpio! You've got your head way up in the clouds. That's alright for summer but now you're in school - open those eyes and a book while you're at it too! Daydreaming seems to be your specialty this week but you should really be concentrating on that quiz coming up.

Sagittarius (11/23-12/21) Well, you've surely got it together, Sag. A beau, good grades, friends - what more could you want? Of course, you, Sag, always want more. Be happy and grateful with what you have - it took you a while to get it. As far as this thing that seems to be bugging you lately - calm down and don't worry too much about things that are out of your control.

Capricorn (12/22-1/20) There's no stopping you once you make up your mind Capricorn! You want something, so now go out and get it! Let go of those preconceived notions and do what you want. Since when do you care about what others think? Throw caution to the wind and take charge of the situation. Don't just sit there - go out and get it! Opportunities won't be lurking around forever.

Aquarius (1/21-2/19) Touchy, touchy, aren't you?! Lighten up and enjoy the semester. Your friends seem to come to you for help and advice, even when you don't have the time. Let them know that your schedule is tight instead of biting their heads off. You've been super sensitive and stressed lately — how about putting yourself first for once.

Pisces (2/20-3/20) You're finally free of something that has been holding you back. Doesn't it feel great? You've even got a reason to celebrate, so why not? You are a great person and a wonderful friend. You're reliable and tons of fun - just be sure that others don't take advantage of your kindness. Be sure that they appreciate the great friend which they have found in you.

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Weekly guide to Student Activities

Coming this week

Friday, September 13 - 6:00 Mac Movie - Leaving Las Vegas
9:00 Soul Clowns - Brown Mall (Underground if rain)
12:00 Late night GQ

Saturday, September 14 - 1:00 Football vs. Catholic University
1:00 Field Hockey vs. Johns Hopkins
9:00 '80s night - Red Door - $3.95 munchie buffet
12:00 Late night GQ

Sunday, September 15 - 1:00 Latino Fest - Brown Mall
6:00 Mac Movie - Leaving Las Vegas - Recital Hall

Tuesday, September 17 - 8:00 Mac Movie - Threesome - Red Door

Wednesday, September 18 - 8:00 Mac Movie - 12 Monkeys - Red Door

Weekly events

Mondays - $4.95 All you can eat hot wings during Monday Night Football in the Red Door. Also, a drawing will be held for a $20 gift certificate to Rookie's or Outback for those who stay for the entire game.

Tuesdays - The first person to answer the Final Jeopardy question correctly wins a selection from the late night menu.

Thursdays - $3.95 all you can eat nachos during NBC Thursday night comedies in the Red Door.

Movie Bytes.....

What's hot at the box office

Alaska-(PG)-Two children go into the Alaskan wilderness looking for their father, a pilot lost in a downed plane. Along the way the are befriended by a polar bear cub and experience some exciting adventures.

Bordello Of Blood-(R)-A typical Tales From The Crypt Movie featuring Corey Feldman and Dennis Miller. It has blood spurting and the expected topless women. It takes place in a vampire's den which doubles for a whorehouse. Full of one-liners and attempts at sick humor.

Carpool-(PG-13)- Tom Arnold is a bank robber who kidnaps a group of children with their father on the way to school. They drive wildly and the children fall in love with their captor. The movie lacks a decent plot and the acting is mediocre at best.

Chain Reaction-(R)-This movie centers around the story of lab worker Keanu Reeves and physicist Rachel Weisz. The two are accused of killing their project director who was working on a cold fusion experiment on behalf of a national enemy. The movie includes many hollow chase scenes

The Crow: City of Angels-(R)-The sequel to Brandon Lee's last movie, which was based on the James O'Barr comic book. In this story, a young man emerges from his horrific death to find he has been given mysterious powers. He uses them to seek out and destroy criminals.

Courage Under Fire-(R)-Denzel Washington is charged with determining whether or not an injured helicopter pilot (Meg Ryan) deserves to be the first female recipient of the Medal of Honor. At the same time, Washington's character confronts his own failures on the battle field. Exceptional acting.

Emma-(PG)-The story of a matchmaker (Gwyneth Paltrow) of a middle class town based on the 1816 novel by Jane Austen. Paltrow herself falls in love and undergoes a dramatic maturation.

Escape From L.A.-(R)-Escape From L.A. is the sequel to Escape From N.Y.. This time, the plot is better, the acting is better, and the special effects are better. Snake Plisskin (Kurt Russell) is sent to the island of Los Angeles, now a prison, to rescue the President's daughter.

The Fan-(R)-Bobby (Wesley Snipes) is a highly paid San Francisco Giant who is in a slump. Gil, an unemployed knife expert played by Robert Deniro, decides to stalk Bobby go as far as to kidnap his son to force him to hit home-runs under pressure. The movie never takes off and falls flat on its face.

First Kid-(PG)-Sinbad plays the secret service agent assigned to protect the President's son. The son (Brock Pierce) does all he can to annoy his agent until he realizes that he is a good friend.

The Frighteners-(R)-Michael J. Fox plays Frank Bannister, a supposed expert on spooks. He is able to see the Grim Reaper who takes people's souls as they die. A doctor begins to believe in him. The movie is a decent horror picture with a few attempts at humor and good special effects.

Foxfire-(R)-Angelina Jones plays "Legs," the wild rebel leader of a group of high school girls. Based on a novel by Joyce Carol Oates, the film fails its source by transplanting them from the '50s to the '90s where they make considerably more sense. The actors are all pretty terrific but the film flounders.

The Island of Dr. Moreau-(R)-The 100 year-old story of a mad scientist who fills a desolate island with botched, horrifying genetic experiments, like a half human half animal. David Thewlis wanders on to the island, only to be shocked by these "creatures."

Kansas City-(R)-A story about America and its heartland. It contains a good mix of comedy and despair that seems real. We learn the story of Blondie, a switchboard operator, a jazz singer played by Harry Belafonte.

Last Man Standing-(R)-When a gun-for-hire (Bruce Willis) rides into town, he finds himself in the middle of a war between rival gangs. Using his many skills he becomes employed by both sides in an attempt to restore law and return the area to peace.

She's The One-(R)-After just a few minutes into the film, it is apparent the film is similar to the Brothers McMullen. It focuses on two Irish brothers in mixed-up romances. The film has big stars like Jennifer Aniston and is a decent romantic comedy.

The Spitfire Grill-(R)-Percy (Alison Elliot) is released from prison and makes her way to a small town in Maine where she is hired to be a chef in The Spitfire Grill. The owner of the restaurant, Hannah (Ellen Burstyn) becomes ill and the friendship that grows between the two in touching.

The Stupids-(PG)-Tom Arnold heads a family of seeming dumbbells in an adaptation of a popular children's book. Completely silly.

Supercop-(R)-Action hero Jackie Chan is an undercover cop assigned to bust a drug ring. This movie also stars Michelle Khan as a sidekick who has no trouble holding her own. Typical Chan action stunts and excitement.

Tin Cup-(R)-The story of Roy (Kevin Costner) who is in Texas giving golf lessons to get by. He becomes excited by Dr. Molly Griswald (Renee Russo). He is then offered a job as a caddie by David Simms (Don Johnson) who is also Griswald's boyfriend. He does not stay employed and instead decides to play in the PGA Open in an attempt to one-over Simme and win the girl.

The Trigger Effect-(PG-13)-A massive West Coast blackout triggers social and domestic breakdown.

A Very Brady Sequel-(PG-13)-This movie is smart to just go out and be silly and not try to make any sense or be real. The movie is actually very funny and provides a good laugh. It uses many of the same ideas form the original but brings back Carol's dead husband and features a trip to Hawaii.

The Visitors-(R)-In the year 1122, the King of France has given the honor of marrying a noble woman to his knight, Godefry de Papincourt. On the way home from his wedding, he is sent into the twentieth century by a witch using a powerful spell. He discovers how difficult modern appliances can be.

WORD HUNT 1

PERUSING A PURSE

A purse is a place where you'll usually find interesting things of a personal kind.

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MAC : Remember Them ???

To the Editor:

Did you ever wonder who plans most of the activities for our students, or think about how much hard work goes into the planning, advertising, setting-up, breaking down, etc., etc., etc.??? Well, I never really gave it much thought either, but let me tell you about this small group.

This group of students is called MAC (Muhlenberg Activities Council). They plan events from the feedback they receive from students. They are the kids who show up on beautiful Sunday afternoons to move heavy equipment into Brown Mall so you can have an enjoyable evening watching the *Rocky Horror Picture Show*. They are the group working around the clock setting up for *Deep Blue Something*. They are your classmates staying after the event to break down and clean up.

I could go on and on about this small group of great students under the leadership of Meredith Frimpter, but I won't. What I will say is they sure could use some help. Whether you are interested in music, movies, publicity, special events, or just have a free hour here and there and would be willing to help with a set up... they need you.

But most of all, don't complain about the social life on campus if you don't even show up at the events. If you want things changed, get involved because you can make a difference.

Sincerely,
Becky Grace
Director of Student Activities

Quote of the Week:

"A writer should concern himself with whatever absorbs his fancy, stirs his heart, and unlimbers his typewriter."

E. B. White, author

Through My Eyes :

The World at A Glance

by Michael Geller
Editorials Editor

Quite recently I was carrying on a conversation with someone and I mentioned that the US had launched and attack on Iraq. The person looked at me with a great deal of shock and wondered what had happened. I explained the situation and this person became very angry and asked " Why did we do that, why are we there?" And even though the person had not heard the news initially, I was glad that they cared and had some sort of opinion. However the day that it happened I was sitting watching TV with a friend and I asked my friend to put on CNN so that I could watch and see what was going on. My friend responded by saying " No, I don't really care about that. You can watch about it later , I'm watching something else now." When this was said I had no response, I was speechless. I could not possibly understand how someone could not care about what was going on in the world. And I also wondered how many other people truly don't care and would rather switch to another channel.

I am not condoning the attack on Iraq, and I am not going to express my opinion on the subject, however , I do have one , and I do care. A teacher once told me that in order to become a better, well-educated person I had to open myself up to the world observe. I think it is a tragedy that there are so many who won't open their eyes. They become more ignorant to the world by not paying attention to it. I realize , of course, that we are busy and do not always have time to observe. However, we should be aware of the world we live within, because if any part of that world is changed, our lives are changed indirectly. We are college students receiving a liberal arts education that is supposed to improve us, allow us to think better, and make us more well-rounded. If we do not watch the world around us we cannot improve our own lives. Through My Eyes for every person who says "I don't care" to the world the old adage becomes more prevalent by the second - "Where ignorance is bliss it is folly to be wise."

STAN THE MULE
by: Chris Subbio
Stan & friends at a frat party:
Man, this party is a good time! I haven't had this much fun in a looong time.
Tell me about it! I can't wait 'till next week!
It's a great thing that the college realizes that frat parties are a good social outlet for students. Coming down hard on the frats only worsens things. I mean come on! Having to worry about administration crashing the parties? Ridiculous! Thank God the college isn't like that!
"And the drive isn't that bad, either..."
LEHIGH UNIVERSITY
AUTHOR'S DISCLAIMER:
Any aluminum can appearing in this comic strip contains nothing more than Tang drink, not alcoholic beverages. But then, of course, you'd probably already assumed that.

Women's soccer scores with solid play at Skidmore

by Scott Burke
Weekly Sports Writer

The Women's Soccer team continued their 1996 season with a solid second-place finish in the Skidmore Tournament at Saratoga Springs the weekend of September 7 & 8.

On Saturday the 7th Muhlenberg kept pace with Skidmore till under the final minute left of play, but on Sunday Muhlenberg shut out Goucher 2 goals to nil.

Coming off a scrimmage tie against Division-I power Lehigh, and opening the season a week ago with a 1-1 draw at Misericordia, the Mules trekked up to Saratoga for their first appearance in the Skidmore Invitational Women's Soccer Tournament.

"We've never played Skidmore before," said Coach Leslie Benintend, a veteran of the Cortland State soccer dynasty of the early 90s, "But I want us to play newer, tougher teams," so the Mules can refine their skills and continue to grow and develop.

"If we play as a team," Coach Benintend added, "We'll be able to hold our own."

And hold their own is exactly what they did this weekend. In the first game, the Skidmore Thoroughbreds, traditionally a nationally-ranked team, fielded a well-balanced squad, easily the toughest competition Muhlenberg has faced yet.

But Muhlenberg matched them, minute for minute, holding off the Thoroughbreds during an exciting first half.

Much was owed to Mule Goaltender Jackie Vanderstreet, a sophomore, especially for one terrific play in the first half, where she deflected shot after shot in a perfect display of Mule defensive stubbornness; refusing to quit, refusing to let Skidmore put the ball in the net. Jackie had a total of eight saves for the game.

In the second half, "We really started to run,"recalled Coach Benintend. Muhlenberg came out hot, taking the game to the Thoroughbreds.

The young Muhlenberg squad came out of its shell in the second half, realizing that they could play with the older Skidmore girls. There was an edge-of-your-seat suspense as the half wound down.

It looked certain that Muhlenberg would take Skidmore into overtime. Then with only fifty-eight seconds to go, Skidmore netted one, and the game was over, but in many ways a victory for Muhlenberg, who had hung tough and played hard all 90 minutes.

Sunday, the Mules were back again, against undefeated Goucher College. Goucher is a very physical team, tough and skillful, but no match for the determination and teamwork of the Mules.

From the start, freshman Lisa Wojtowicz guarded tightly against Goucher's All-American midfielder,
staying on her all game, completely shutting her down.

Jackie Vanderstreet was again strong in front of the goal, completely shutting out the Goucher attack and making a total of four saves.

Sophomore Celina Boer provided the first goal for our team. Twenty-six minutes into the game, and in Goucher's end, Celina collected the ball off a defensive deflection; sent a powerful shot over the Keeper's head and into the back of the net.

Later in the game, the Mules picked up the pace once more, attacking fiercely making ten shots on net.

Their momentum built and built, till off a corner kick at 82:51, Junior Laurie Kennedy delivered a looping cross that looped right into the back of the net and onto the scoreboard, putting Muhlenberg ahead for good, two goals to none.

With strong team play and commitment, the Women's Soccer team, only in it's fourth year of varsity status, was able to show well against these other schools, with older varsity programs.

National Sports Update

- **Mike Tyson gained the WBA championship belt Saturday night with his 109 second knock out of former champion Bruce Seldon. Tyson is next scheduled to square off against Evander Holyfield in November.**
- **Last Friday night Baltimore Oriole Eddie Murray became the 15th player in history to hit 500 home runs and only the third to do so with 3000 hits.**
- **Todd Hundley hit his 40th home run breaking both the record for homers for a catcher and for a New York Met.**
- **Pittsburgh Penguin Mario Lemieux announced that he would return this year for a 12th and possibly final season.**
- **Pete Sampras and Steffi Graff won this year's US Open in straight sets.**

Information courtesy of USA Today and ESPN

Field Hockey team depending on young talent and veterans

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

The Muhlenberg Field Hockey team looks to combine a lot of young talent and veteran leaders to produce a successful season.

Second year coach Laurie Kerr introduces a roster that includes thirteen freshmen.

"This is my first recruiting class," Kerr said.

Kerr showed this confidence in her freshmen by playing six of them on opening day. Kim Brady, Lindsay Kay, Beth Hughes, Peach Reigle, Becky Pierotti and Erin Anderson all saw the field in a 3-2 loss to Moravian. Brady and Kay started the game for Lady Mules.

Kerr says, "The game experience [for these freshmen] is necessary for our future. But, this group is contributing to this year's team.

Even with the addition of these freshmen, the offense still relies on junior co-captain Christy Rudderow. She is the team finisher. She has 18 career goals, including both of Muhlenberg's goals against Moravian.

"Offensively, we need to get the ball to Christy. That's the key, "says Kerr.

The defense also relies on veterans. Senior Nancy Fernandez, junior Andrea Cook and sophomore Stacy Devine anchor the defense.

Pat Dehoff tends the net again this year. Coach Kerr, says "Her technique and clearing ability have improved tremendously from last season."

In game one, she collected 18 saves.

The Mules play Division II power East Stroudsburg on Wednesday, before their Centennial Conference opens at home on Saturday at 1 p.m.

The conference will be difficult again this year. Swarthmore is the favorite, with Dickinson, Western Maryland, Gettysburg and Saturday's opponent Johns Hopkins, all posting strong teams.

As far as the team's goal, Kerr leaves that up to her players. "They've set a team goal of winning ten games."

She adds, "We have the talent to do it. With so many freshmen, it's tough to find the chemistry. We have to gel as a team.

Co-captains Christen Uryniak and Rudderow hope they can get the team to gel in time. If they do, the Lady Mules will definitely improve on last year's 4-11 record.

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Football team set to "run and shoot" towards success

Mules try to leave memories of last season behind and focus on winning

by Doug Feldman
Weekly Sports Writer

The last time we heard from the Muhlenberg Mules football team, they were in the process of losing to Moravian 38-7 on November 11, 1995.

It was their sixth consecutive loss in a season that the team would like to soon forget.

The Mules finished the season with an overall record of 0-9-1, 0-6-1 in the Centennial Conference.

The team averaged less than nine points per game while giving up a little more than 27 points each week.

Three quarterbacks started at least one contest. The team's best tailback missed four games due to injury.

In short, one would think that the team is eager to erase the painful memories of last season's constant frustrations.

Now, the 1996 season is upon us and there is some reason to be excited about what it could bring.

Head Coach Greg Olejack has installed the run and shoot offense on a full time basis.

Olejack also has a great amount of confidence in George Fosdick, the teams starting quarterback.

Several players, such as junior wideout Mike Kern and senior linebacker Dan Terpstra, may be ready to take that next step up in production.

A freshman wide receiver named Kenyamo McFarlane has earned rave reviews from both the coaching staff and players as a result of the potential he has demonstrated in the preseason.

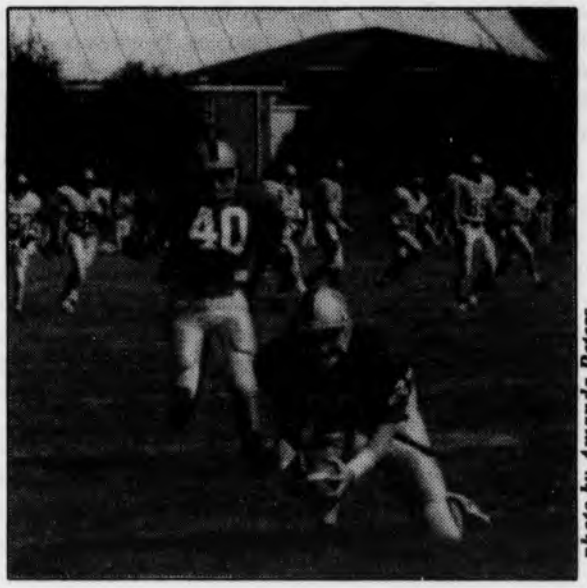

photo by Amanda Peters

The Mules utilized the run and shoot offense, at times last season, with success.

In an attempt to revive the offense and generate more point production, Olejack elected to make the change.

The third year head coach elaborated on the new system by saying, "It's an offense that's difficult to defend because of the formations and it's a lot of fun."

The team will operate without a tight end on the roster and will use a single setback to go along with the four wideouts.

In other words, the team will be passing on the majority of the downs. This also means that the Mules will most likely face quite a few third and long situations in each game.

The run and shoot offense has taken its share of criticism in the past.

The two most prevalent criticisms have been its inability to play ball control offense and the inability to run out the clock late in games when needing to protect a lead.

To which Olejack responds, "The perception of the shoot [run and shoot offense] is that you're going to be throwing on every down.

We have other plays that we could run and be successful with them." He went on to say that the Mules "are multi-formational. They [opposing defenses] will have to look at a lot of things."

With the changing of systems, offensively, the defense seems to get a lost in the shuffle.

However, the defensive unit will be a major determining factor in how successful the new offense will be.

The run and shoot offense is not known for racking up possession time meaning the defense will need to cause some short drives by the opponents.

The unit will have to carry on without last season's top three tacklers. Two of them carved out a spot for themselves in the Mules' record book by breaking school records.

John D'Angelo is the college's all time leader in tackles and A.J. Pratt became Muhlenberg's all time leader in sacks.

You don't replace players of that caliber very easily. The player who Olejack is counting on the most on defense is Terpstra, one of the team's four captains.

He is a versatile defender who can rush the passer as well as play the passing lanes as evidenced by an interception and four pass breakups last season.

Olejack also cited the secondary as a area of strength, which is anchored by senior cornerback, Lionel Hush.

Brutal. That is how Olejack described the Mules' opening three weeks.

The three opponents are Catholic, Dickinson and Franklin and Marshall. All three of them are nationally ranked teams.

Ironically, these are the same three opponents that the Mules opened with last season, losing all three contests by a combined score of 138-10.

Olejack claimed that "there isn't a Division III team in the nation that opens up with a schedule like we [Muhlenberg] do."

The long offseason is now over. The Mules have been working diligently in practice in preparation for a season that has some promise.

That is all they can ask for at this point. Injuries to three key players in Pollard, wideout Steve Faella and defensive lineman Billy Howlett, have caused some concern.

However, two of the three should be ready to play in the opener. Unfortunately Faella is expected to be out at least six weeks. Run and shoot offense is the operative. The new look Mules are ready to air it out.

Volleyball team gets bounced around in Messiah Falcon Classic tourney

by C.J. Lenat
Weekly Sports Writer

The Muhlenberg women's volleyball team traveled to Messiah College last weekend to play in the Falcon Classic volleyball tournament.

The Mules won one game and lost three, all against difficult opponents.

After losing 3-0 to Moravian, the Mules bounced back with a come-from-behind victory over the host team Messiah.

Down two games to one, Muhlenberg rallied and won three games to two.

In their last two matches the Mules lost 3-0 to Galladette and Eastern Menonite, two very strong schools who placed first and second respectively in last year's tournament.

For Muhlenberg, Lauren Buyyounouski had a very strong tournament setting a school record with eight aces and being named to the all-tournament team.

Head coach Mike Krause said that Lauren "played extremely well and shouldered a lot of our offense."

Coach Krause said that the Mules "played their hearts out against some very strong competition. We left everything we had out on the court.

We learned a lot this weekend, but we still have some fine tuning. Our passing needs to be improved.

We have a young team, but I'm confident that we'll develop and improve."

The 'Berg has alot to live up to this season as it faces a transitional year.

With the departure of longtime coach Frank Marino and several senior players there are a great many unknowns.

The Mules' next matchup is this Friday at the Gettysburg Invitational Tournament.

Men's soccer stomps Colorado College 4-1

by Seth Leichter
Weekly Sports Writer

The men's Muhlenberg soccer team showed just why they are the third ranked team in the nation, when they stomped Colorado College 4-1, on Saturday, here at Muhlenberg.

The Mules opened up the the scoring in the first half when junior Brian Krug scored off of a free kick. The remainder of the first half was a tremendous display of strong ball movement and aggressive forechecking, by both the Mules and the Tigers.

The flood gates opened up in the second half for Muhlenberg after a fabulous defensive defensive stand and great pressure by the midfield, anchored by center midfielder, Tim O'Donohue.

After Brian Krug was tripped up, the following direct kick led to a 35 yard chip by Sean Topping that gave the Mules a 2-0 lead.

On the ensuing kickoff, the Mules took a free kick and converted a spectacular goal in which Topping centered a beautiful pass through the goal mouth and Todd Ervin redirected it into the net with a header.

Ervin struck again later in the second half when he took a lead pass and beat the Colorado goalie 'like a rented mule'(no pun intended).

Captain Mike Schaffer contributed to the victory with an admirable performance.

Do not make the assumption that Colorado College was a soft team. That is a falsehood by all means. Coach Tipping said,"They are a very fine team and thought it would be closer."

He went on to say that the Mules' defense was good and that they created many turnovers. But, commented that their passing and turnovers need improvement.

Last year, the team used to rely on the fast break, but now they are in the midst of an evolution in which the formation that they are using is a 4-5-1 set.

This formation complements one striker with five midfielders and four fullbacks. The 4-5-1 allows for a more controlled, passing offense in which the midfield must use both sides of the field to be effective.

The team travels to play Washington and Jefferson, and Virginia Wesleyan in the Frostburg State Tournament this weekend.

Coach Tipping is not worried about his team's scoring ability as much as he would like the team to smooth out some of the rough edges by improving their passing and reducing the amount of unforced errors.

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Moore uses satire, wit to educate and entertain audience

by Paige Morris
***Weekly* staff writer**

On Wednesday September 11, Michael Moore spoke to Muhlenberg and its community in Egner Memorial Chapel. Moore is most well known for producing and directing the acclaimed documentary "Roger and Me". The event began with a clip from the political satire "TV Nation", which Moore writes, directs, and produces. In the episode, Janeane Garofalo and other volunteers make a comical attempt to spend a day on the beaches of Greenwich, Connecticut. These beaches are, according to Moore, unjustly restricted to local residents. This set the tone for the evening's presentation, which served to enlighten, as well as entertain the audience.

Moore began by touching on some of the topics from his documentary. He spoke about the priorities of corporations in our country today; whether their responsibility is to the people or to making a profit. Moore addressed the term "terrorism", and raised some interesting points regarding its meaning. He claims that the only difference between lay-offs as a result of plant shut-downs and the Oklahoma City Bombing is that the victims of shut-downs were asked to leave the building before it was destroyed. In Moore's opinion, people's lives were needlessly destroyed in both cases.

Moore also touched on the controversial issue of when life actually begins. This topic spurred one audience member to interrupt him disapprovingly, saying, "Bad topic," to which Moore replied, "Bad topic? Then let's keep going!" Moore listened patiently to the audience member's complaints, and commented that it is not wrong to have differing opinions, but it is wrong to force your opinions on anyone else.

The presidential election was also discussed during the night, although Moore did not take a firm stand on the issue. At one point, Moore referred to the candidates as "Tweedle Dumb and Tweedle Dumber". He attacked the government for supplying unnecessary "corporate welfare" to help businesses, and continually alluded to the fact that one of his newest crusades was to put Jessie Helms in jail.

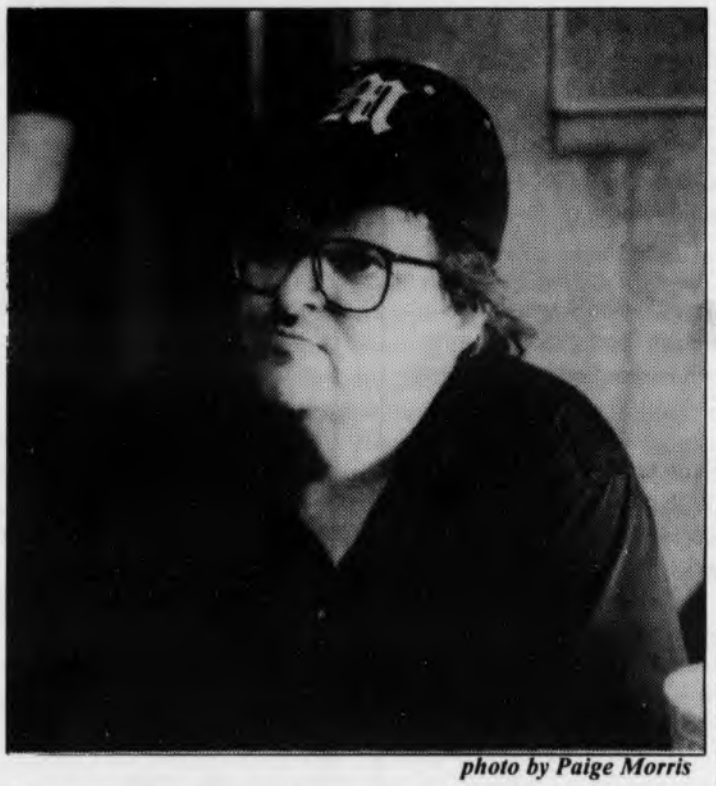

photo by Paige Morris

At the end of his talk, Moore challenged the students of today to start their own movements and take their own positions regarding modern issues. When asked what made the students of the sixties more influential than today's students, he deterred anyone from following in the footsteps of hippies or protesters of the sixties. Moore emphasized that it only takes a few people to make a difference, and challenged everyone not to give up.

Moore stopped at Muhlenberg as part of a 47 city tour to promote his new book, *Downsize This*. His humor and unique approach to the problems and injustices in society provided his audience with a new outlook. Michael Moore's presentation last Wednesday was both educational and entertaining.

Second annual Latino Fest a success

by Christopher DeWitt
***Weekly* Staff Writer**

The environment of Brown Mall on Sunday was one of excitement and fun. The Fiesta Alianza Latina celebrated its second year this Sunday with great food and music, and a chance to expand cultural horizons. The Muhlenberg campus, through the campus Latin Alliance, was more than happy to sponsor the event once again.

What was started as a "challenge" by President Taylor two years ago has turned out to be the biggest social event of the year for the Latin community, both on Muhlenberg's campus and throughout the Allentown community. In addition to the wide variety of cultural foods, there were also information booths ranging from a subscription table for the regional, bilingual magazine to a donation booth for disaster relief for the victims of Hurricane Hortence. There was even an excellent opportunity to register to vote at one of the tables.

The day was also highlighted by many different examples of the Latin culture through the arts. Some of the more intriguing events included a Multicultural Drum Ensemble, a small theater production (compliments of the Hispanic American League of Artists and Street Theater Alliance), and demonstration of Latin dance by the Mutya Philippine Dance Company.

Ed DeGrace, one of the organizers of the festival and an active member of the Allentown chapter of the Latin Alliance, hopes that the day served as "a conduit into the Latin community," and "a point of opened dialogue between the many different cultural organizations both on campus and throughout the community,". In fact, DeGrace challenged and encouraged each cultural organization on campus to hold a similar festival of cultural celebration. Allentown mayor, William Hyde, emphasized this feeling by officially declaring September 15 Cultural Exchange Day. In addition to these long term effects of the festival, the event was a great day of food, music, and cultural awareness.

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News Digest

compiled by Alice Chumard

•The Dow Jones Industrial Average flirted with the first record close in nearly four months. After trading above the record 5778 level for a time, the average ended at 5771.94, up 17.02.

•Sri Lankan defense officials said Tamil rebels attacked a bus about 125 miles east of Colombo, killing at least 11 civilians and wounding 27 with gunfire and grenades.

•Hurricane Hortense skirted the Bahamas and headed north, with a slight chance it could approach Cape Cod on Sun day. Its winds have increased to 115 m.p.h., but are expected to slow as it moves over cooler waters.

•Yeltsin's doctors said foreign specialists would consult on the Russian president's heart surgery, and a Moscow TV station reported that they may even take part.

•Initial human trials indicate an experimental AIDS drug being developed by Glaxo Wellcome will probably be as effective as other protease inhibitors now on the market, by may have fewer side effects.

•Highest levels of former President Botha's apartheid regime knew and approved of plans for a 1985 raid into Lesotho in which two ANC activists and eight others were killed.

•Dole attacked Clinton's record on crime and unveiled his plan to fight drugs and crime with more money for prisons, stiffer punishments for young offenders and a more activist approach by the White House.

•A Pentagon report blamed commanders at all levels for failing to protect US forces in the June bombing that killed 19 Air Force personnel at their housing complex in Saudi Arabia.

•Gillette announced a $7.3 billion stock transaction to acquire Duracell, adding batteries to its leading consumer product lines.

•Gangsta Rapper Tupac Shakur died Friday, September 13th from respiratory failure after being shot several times in the chest by an unknown assailant the previous Saturday following the Mike Tyson/Bruce Seldon fight.

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An Invitation to Jewish - Christian Dialogue

Muhlenberg students are invited to participate in an exciting program of interfaith dialogue presented by Muhlenberg's Institute for Jewish - Christian Understanding. The Institute offers programs both on the campus and in the community designed to foster mutual understanding and cooperation between Christians and Jews.

Using the acclaimed "Interfaith Circles" program as a model, students are invited to form groups of ten to fifteen persons to meet weekly or biweekly to discuss issues of common interest. The initial commitment is to four sessions; then the group decides whether to continue. "Discussion starters" are provided; no special preparation is necessary. Possible topics of discussion include the following:

Getting Acquainted
1. First steps for dialogue
2. Our religious observances
3. What the Bible means to us
4. Knowing "Others"

Celebrations of Faith
1. Christmas & Hanukkah
2. Easter & Passover
3. Pentecost & Shavuot
4. Good Friday & Rosh Hashana

God and Everyday Life
1. Primary patterns of worship
2. The place of righteous acts
3. Life's major decisions
4. Life's certainties/uncertainties

If interested, please contact the Director of the Institute for Jewish/Christian Understanding, Dr. Robert Everett, at ext. 3470 or by e-mail at everett@muhlberg.edu.

Campus Safety Notes

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9/9/96 - Theft - Paint Shop
9/9/96 - Fire Alarm - TKE
9/9/96 - Harassment by communication - Seeger's Union
9/9/96 - Vandalism to vehicle - 23rd and Gordon Streets
9/9/96 - MVA - Chew at Prosser Drive
9/9/96 - Safety violation - Hillside (propped doors)
9/9/96 - Injured student - 160 Walz
9/9/96 - Fire Alarm - Benfer 101
9/9/96 - Alcohol violation - Benfer 101
9/10/96 - Harassment by communication - Prosser
9/10/96 - Vandalism - Trexler Library
9/10/96 - Electrical problem - Prosser
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9/11/96 - Theft - ML - CD rack and CD's
9/11/96 - Medical transport - injured student - N. 22nd Street
9/13/96 - Theft - Seeger's - Red Door - wallet
9/13/96 - Injured student - Brown Hall
9/13/96 - Alcohol violation - ML
9/14/96 - Vandalism - Trumbower
9/15/96 - Harassment by communication - N. 22nd Street
9/15/96 - Harassment by communication - East Hall
9/15/96 - Injured student - Prosser
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Lovin' From Your Fashion Guru: Christine W. Park

by Christine W. Park
Weekly Magazine Guest Writer

As fall approaches quite rapidly and the leaves change and days get shorter, we turn our minds to one thing: our winter wardrobe. What with how much it costs to be stylish and how rapidly fashion changes, it seems almost impossible to keep up without donating half your closet to the Salvation Army every spring and fall. (Unless half your wardrobe is from the Salvation Army) Thus, it is important to know what is going on and to make conscientious choices as to what we need to alter in our wardrobes, what we can keep and what must go. I'm not interested in haute couture unless I plan to walk down the runway. I believe you have to dress for the occasion and the occasion for me seems to be going to college. I've compiled a few tips to help you get through the mall and your closet in one piece, and I hope leaves something in your wallet to get the new Tribe CD.

The one most important image for this season seems to be maturity. As Generation X reaches yet higher rungs in corporate ladders and tax brackets, the look that follows is much more subtle, much more refined, much more elegant in understated ways. The dominating fashion moods of the nineties have been being hip, being trendy, being PC, and keeping up. Now it seems that fashion is asking for a little more conservativeness, and most of all a basic wardrobe that is flexible and can accommodate us in our multi-media, multi-faceted lives. In other words, get from class, to lunch, to class, to hangin' out, to Lupo's, and to Bleecker Street all in the same outfit. (On the same night if you've got stamina) Here are the basics:

1. Color: This season's color is deep earth tones. It is a counter-reaction to the overuse of black in the nineties as a staple wardrobe color. Face it, the club scene, the mod scene, the goth scene, and the grunge scene played it out. The new colors to incorporate into your wardrobe? Lots of rich, earthy browns and subtle greens. The attitude to takes toward brown? More, more, more. On the other hand women seem to have more access to green simply because we for some reason feel more comfortable in pastel tones of that color. However, guys— hunter, olive, forest, being careful to avoid the nickelodeon green slime shade, green is a good accent color to work into a wardrobe with a lot of browns. The way to put together the colors is very monochromatic— whether different shades of the same tone or just all one color, the single toned outfit has many advantages. It has more presence, it lengthens and slims the silhouette, and it's easy. But don't throw away all your funerary garb yet. No matter what, black is still slimming, still lengthening, and still workable — in smaller doses. Plus: try some rich plums, purples as well.

2. Cut: The cuts out now are boxier than they have been lately. I personally think it's all Calvin Klein's fault, but that is not the issue at hand. Try to find clothes that are a little more constructed— in other words, find clothes that have a little shape of their own and don't just hug or drape against the body for shape. Much of this is due to the influence of army uniforms on the fashion industry. It falls in with the more mature look, because uniforms are a bit more polished looking, a little older, and definitely works the browns and greens. I'm still trying to figure out whether or not it is a good thing that this look is leaning towards androgyny. Two helpful hints: Stussy's khaki-colored button-down army style shirt approx. $48, CK flat front Khakis approx. $44. For boys or girls.

3. Texture: With the availability of new synthetics and technologies in making materials, try out some new fabrics. Earlier this season flight satin jeans were in. Mow anything goes. I still love my black rubber jeans. I've seen cool cords with different textures Take your basics: tees, jeans, slacks, skirts, and find them in new materials— satin, that Nylon/Lycra/Spandex blend— Esprit has come out with these really cool, slightly fuzzy brown slacks. approx. $58. Love those space age materials! Denim and preshrunk cotton don't cut it anymore. I highly recommend the new natural/synthetic mixes, like cotton and polyester, linen and rayon. It adds a bit of flair to what could otherwise be mundane. Try leather on other parts of your body besides your feet.

4. Hemlines: Go to extremes. Short short or long long (ankles). Those around the knees are only flattering if—never mind they are not flattering. Note: A-line is dying out, and skirts and dresses are following the shape of the body more closely. Coats have dropped in hem as well. Longcoats are sophisticated, but impractical, really for college. Besides which, I'm not ready to give up my peacoat just yet. Waistline— ladies hug those hips. Gents—still riding low on those hips, but pull those pants just a teensi-weensie bit.

5. Shoes: Boxy toed shoes for boys and girls, but slightly flatter with shorter fronts. I forget whether Etienne Aigner or Evan Piccone had the better design. Go for the faux croc look to add a bit of an accent to those monochromatic outfits. (one color doesn't mean boring!) Try them on and walk around in the store a lot in them. Some are toe pinchy.

6. Make-up: Not shimmer, not glitter, but full-blown metallics. I'm talking eyes, lips, and nails. It's a contrast to the monotones we see and I love it. Try some plummy purple accents in eyes, lips and nails— this will complement the earth tones and create some more contrast. MAC eyeshadow in Crystal $12, Clinique Almost Lipstick in Black Honey, approx $15.

Plug for myself: Anyone interested in working on the fashion show—from Design to Administration, Business, Communications, Marketing, Costume Construction, Staging, etc. come to the general meeting. Monday, September 16th, @ 7:00PM, bottom of the CA, by the vending machines. Reach me @ Box 2146 or call x4171 for info.

"The Rich Man's Wife" features interesting twists

by John Saverino
Weekly Magazine Writer

starring Halle Berry, Peter Greene, Clive Owen, and Chirstopher McDonald

Caught in web of deceit, Halle Berry stars as "The Rich Man's Wife." Her marriage is far from being an ordinary marriage. Her husband, played by Peter Greene, is a full-blown alcoholic and is also involved in a slew of adulterous affairs. She is no saint either, and is also guilty of committing adultery. However, moviegoers will be quick to have sympathy for her. Her husband has a talent for completely alienating her from his daily life. And when she pleads to him to get help for his alcohol addiction, he pretends to comply, but is later found passed out over a bottle of whiskey.

A last attempt to salvage this decaying marriage involves a vacation to a secluded cabin in the mountains. Unfortunately, her husband succumbs to his old ways and leaves her alone so he can take care of a business matter. This only enrages her more and when her husband is found murdered weeks later, all fingers are pointing at her. Well, I wonder how they came up with that conclusion?!

I will admit that the plot may resemble something you might see on "A Current Affair," but it isn't as predictable as you think. The plot has a surprise twist to it that is guaranteed to keep you watching until the end. It is this element of surprise that makes this movie such a success.

Halle Berry's portrayal of a neglected wife proves to everyone that she does have an acting ability. And Peter Greene's role as her husband confirms the fact that he is the subject of scorn. The two put together result in a intriguing and provocative thriller.

To sum it up, if suspense is what your after, then "The Rich Man's Wife" is the movie for you.

Grade = A-

Weekly guide to Student Activities

Friday, September 20 8:00--Comedy Improv--Red Door
9:00--MAC Movies--12 Monkeys and Billy Madison
12:00--Late Night GQ Breakfast

Saturday, September 21 9:00--Open Mic Night--Red Door

Sunday, September 22 6:00--MAC Movies--12 Monkeys--Recital Hall

Wednesday, September 25 9:00--MAC Movies--Usual Suspects--Red Door

Friday, September 27 6:00--MAC Movie--Usual Suspects-- Red Door
9:00--RHA Coffeehouse--Underground

Saturday, September 28 9:00--Karaoke--Red Door

Sunday, September 29 11:00--Wine Tasting Trip

Monday, September 30 6:00 MAC Movie--Billy Madison--Recital Hall

Weekly events

Mondays--All you can eat hot wings during Monday Night Football. Also, stay for the whole game and try to win a gift certificate to Rookie's or Outback for $20.

Tuesdays--Jeopardy Challenge--First person to correctly answer the Final Jeopardy question wins a selection from the Late Night menu.

Thursdays--All you can eat nachos for $3.95 during Thursday Night NBC Must Watch TV.

Consult the Mule...

Your *Weekly* horoscope

by Jennifer Zwirn and
Sherry Lynn Fazio
Weekly columnists

Capricorn 12/22-1/19 You know what, Cap? You've got a great way about you! You're sweet and thoughtful- quite a combo. You've been super busy lately but don't let that get you down. You're the kind of person who can do it all and still find time to enjoy yourself. There may be a new love interest on the way-just be sure you give 'em some of your attention.

Aquarius 1/20-2/18 After this weekend, you'll feel like a new person; all you need is a break. You've been going, going, going and you need some time for yourself. After a few days off, you'll be full of energy and ready to hit the old routine again. And what about that special person you've been eyeing? Well, they've noticed that you've been in a slump, but they'll also notice that you've got new-found energy..and they'll love it.

Pisces 2/19-3/20 Sorry, Pisces but you seem to be in Catch 22 lately. No need to be frustrated though- everything will fall back into place soon enough. You've got a lot going for you; all you need to do now is open up those eyes and see all of it. Let loose and allow yourself to have some fun. Your troubles won't seem bad after a little perspective and relaxation. Why not be grateful for all you do have instead of focusing on what you don't have?

Aries 3/21-4/19 So, Aries, what exactly do you want? It seems like you want everything under the sun at the drop of a hat.. well, news flash! Things don't really work that way! Quit putting things on hold simply because you're not ready yet. You're a lot more ready than you think. Life is all about taking risks, so go on and throw caution to the wind- you'll probably thank yourself!

Taurus 4/20-5/20 Will you make up you mind already? What exactly are you aiming for here? You've got tons to do but yet you still want more, huh? Geez, slow down a bit. And in your love life, Taurus, you seem to think that one is never enough. Well, that's all well and good but be sure you know what you're getting yourself into. You may end up hurting others along the way and that's the last thing you're intending to do.

Gemini 5/21-6/20 Congrats, Gem! Something long awaited has finally come your way! Aren't you excited about it? Here's an idea- instead of letting it pass you by, take advantage of the luck that's come to you. Someone may be slowing you down but it's just because of their own jealousy...they know the price of everything but the value of nothing. Hold you head up high and overlook them.

Cancer 6/21-7/22 People always want to be around you. You're great company but sometimes you listen to so many people gripe and complain, you wonder if that's all you're good for. Well, no way! They all realize that you've got a lot of good things to say. You're genuine and actually care about your pals. Even though they don't often thank you, they think you're tops, which is pretty okay with you. However, a simple thank you wouldn't really hurt, huh.

Leo 7/23-8/22 You should take a look at Cancer's message..sound like you? Yes! You have great advice and stories to share, so why are you always so quiet? As far as love interests go, well, you claim that you prefer to fly solo but do you actually mean it? Let's hope not, considering you've got flocks that want you as their beau.

Virgo 8/23-9/22 You know, Virgo, you really have a lot going for you. You tend to have little trouble being grateful however. You've become quite a pro at taking things for granted. Why not try appreciating what you have been blessed with? Once you look at what you have rather than complaining about silly little things, you'll be amazed with just how wonderful your life really is!

Libra 9/23-10/22 You seem to be enjoying yourself lately. Perhaps it's because you're taking advantage of a situation that's not exactly meant for you. If you continue to do such a thing, you'll end up hurting the ones you love and those who love you. Shape up, Libra! What are you thinking? Nothing is worth risking love. And what about everything else lately? You've got some sort of chip on your shoulder- it's time to shrug it off and just be you!

Scorpio 10/23-11/21 So many are asking, "Where have you been?" No one has seen you lately, perhaps because you're spreading yourself thin in so many directions. Instead of wearing yourself out with 10 things, why not concentrate on three or four and put your all into it? Well, it's your call Scorpio- do you want friends to start forgetting about you? You know, it's nice to be important but more important to be nice- consider it.

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21 So, Sag you're giving yourself a headache over a lot of things, aren't you? Don't sweat it. You have a little problem balancing your time. You've been doing a great job though. Don't be so hard on yourself. If your friends or special someone don't understand, they'll get over it. Just keep doing the best you can for yourself and things will turn out just fine in the end.

If your birthday is this week, you are creative and an original thinker. You have the tendency to march to a different drum, which is perfect for a college setting. Just be sure you don't put others down if they don't have your same views. This is going to be quite a year for you- you've got a lot going for you. Just be sure to stay practical and avoid frugality-that is what will hurt you in the long run.

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Talented playwright to stage production

by John Dowgin
Weekly Magazine Writer

Every year, Muhlenberg's Theater Department seeks out a talented, influential artist for a year-long residency involving teaching their craft, demonstrating it in performance, or (ideally) involving students in their creative process. For the '96-'97 school year, the department has impressively accomplished all three.

This fall, Maria Irene Fornes, one of the most influential playwrights of the past half century, will grace Muhlenberg College and area theatre go-ers with her expertise. Miss Fornes will direct a production of her own play, *Fefu and Her Friends*, premiering September 27, as well as teaching a seminar style class on playwrighting.

Miss Fornes's life in America began as it would continue, a challenge. At the age of fifteen, she emigrated from her native Cuba to pursue a free artist's life. After years as a painter and traveler, she finally discovered playwrighting in her thirties. The theater world has never been the same.

Fornes's work has been the subject of tremendous praise for several decades. Bonnie Marranca, a highly respected arts advocate and publisher, has described Fornes's work as possessive of "a warm delicacy and grace that distinguish it from most of what is written today... If there were a dozen writer's with Fornes's wisdom and graciousness, it would be enough for a country."

Fornes's honors have extended far beyond the written word, however. *Fefu* earned her one of her seven Obie awards. She has also earned a PEW Charitable Trust- Theater Communications Grant, a Rockefeller Grant, and a Guggenheim Fellowship, just to name a few.

The most dominant theme of her work has been, without question, experimentation, and Muhlenberg's audience will experience it first hand. *Fefu and Her Friends* was originally conceived as a play where the audience moves about from set to set, learning the events of the plat bit by bit rather than dramatically choreographed for their convenience. Muhlenberg will be presenting the play in both its original fashion as well as one adapted for a fixed stage.

Plotwise, *Fefu* examines the relationship of eight women who, through their own individuality, both threaten and preserve their intricate alliances outside the realm of men. Featured in the title role will be Muhlenberg's actor in residence, Devon Allen, who made her debut last season in the role of *Medea*. Allen also directed the mainstage production of Cloud Nine which is being considered for selection to the 1997 American College Theater Festival. The rest of the cast consists of Muhlenberg students as diverse as the play is rich. Senior Rebecca Levine, Junior Carey Kotulka, Sophomores Megan McGlincy, Eli Katz, and Crystl Horton, and Freshman Angellica Pinna-Perez and Monica Stufft round out the cast.

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Assistant Housing Director Responds to Article In Last Week's *Weekly*

To the Editor:

In response to the story printed in the September 12 edition regarding my recent employment as the Assistant Director of Housing and Residence Life, I would like to offer several comments.

The first involves the application process to live off-campus. As many in our community know we have instituted a review process whereby, students who wish to live off -campus are required to make application to do so. The application is reviewed in an attempt to ensure that the students who will be living off-campus will represent the college community in a positive manner. This is the main thrust of the policy. Last year, under the new policy, five students were denied permission to live off- campus.

It is a fact that I am very enthusiastic about my new position. I am working with a great team professionals dedicated to providing excellent service and support to the students at Muhlenberg. It is good to be back.

Sincerely,
John D. Kane

From the Editor's Desk... Ravit the Best Choice for Council Seat

by Jay

On October 1, the student body will have the chance to elect a representative from the class of 1998 due to a vacancy left by Adam Smith. This person will have to join a Council that has been functioning since last semester. Therefore, Muhlenberg needs a candidate who knows how Council works. The person should know the format of meetings, what the committees do, and have great ideas on how to improve the campus. In addition, the candidate should have a history of doing the right thing and following the rules. Council needs honest members who can help lift student life at Muhlenberg to the next level.

The best candidate to fill the position is Lauren Ravit. Lauren, for over a year now, has observed Student Council meetings. She has taken notes and attempted to let students know what Council is doing.

Lauren has a history of being a leader at Muhlenberg. Lauren was an active member of the Residence Hall Association for two years during which time she served as the chairman of the Publicity Committee which let people know about events. Lauren has been a member of the Student Action Committee, an independent student lobby, which has been working to improve life for students in many different areas. Currently, Lauren serves on the Judicial Panel and Finance Committee.

This year, the best choice for the empty Student Council seat is clear. Lauren proves to be a candidate that can be trusted to truly represent all the students of this school equally. She will make herself accessible to students and will go out of her way to help anyone who approaches her. She would be ready to jump right in because she has observed so many meetings and knows what is going on at the current time. I encourage everyone to take a minute and vote for Lauren on October 1. In addition, don't forget that everyone has the opportunity to vote for the freshman representatives at the same time. So, Muhlenberg, read the platforms and make informed decisions.

Student thanks Muhlenberg Community for kindness

To Dean Ehrenberg and the Muhlenberg College.

Two weeks ago from this past Tuesday, my mother, Rhea Sigfried was finally overcome by her struggle with cancer that had encompassed the greater part of the last ten years of her life. In my mother's strength, gentle nature, and warmth of heart, I am proud to say that she was the greatest woman (person) I have ever known.

Yet it is with greater pride that I write this letter to thank all those in the Muhlenberg Community who so selflessly gave of themselves to help ease the loss my family was feeling from the first unfortunate moment that I learned of my mother's death, within minutes friends, faculty and fellow students were offering their condolences along with any form of assistance. It has been the support of people such as Men's Head Basketball Coach Dave Madiera and my Muhlenberg basketball team, who personally attended my mother's funeral service as well as all others who I know were there in spirit that have given me the strength to carry through these hard times and has allowed me to regain a sense of normalcy in my return to the Muhlenberg community. My family and I would especially like to thank the office of Dean Ehrenberg, particularly Dean Ehrenberg himself for personally making this more than a student matter, but a family matter. It is the sense of family I feel within the Muhlenberg community that would have made my mother proud to have her son be a part of.

With heartfelt thanks,
Jason Donnelly

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WHOA!
OOPS! I WAS WAITING FOR MY HUSBAND.
NO PROBLEM! NO SWEAT!
DON'T MIND A BIT! AIN'T SHY!
PANT PANT HERE!
HOLD IT, HOT MAMA... LET'S WAIT 'TILL WE'RE OLDER
PSST! EAT YOUR VEGETABLES!

Women's soccer gets edged out by Rowan in double overtime

by Scott Burke
Weekly Sports Writer

On Friday, September 13, the 1996 Women's Soccer Team played their home opener against Rowan College. Though Muhlenberg played skillfully and with passion, Rowan edged them 3 goals to 2 in a thrilling double overtime.

This was truly a contest to remember; all those who gathered on Varsity Field will find it easy to recall the great promise the Lady Mules demonstrated. It was a match filled with excitement; brilliant offensive runs, dramatic defensive saves, suspense as the game dipped deeper and deeper into overtime. All the Muhlenberg players performed outstandingly as individuals, and continue to develop a potent team chemistry.

The game started under a warm late-summer sun. An enthusiastic Muhlenberg crowd packed the stands, ready to root for the relaxed but focused Muhlenberg squad waiting for the game to begin.

The Mules came out hard against the Rowan Profs, the solid defensive play of freshmen Lisa Wojtowicz and Allison Fish, and Senior Tina Rauchut stopped the Rowan drives, and fed the ball up to the Muhlenberg midfielders and forwards.

Such teamwork led to a perfectly placed goal by Sophomore Celina Boer with 20 minutes left in the half, putting Muhlenberg up one to nothing.

Michelle Moser, a freshman, began in goal, stopping everything that came her way, including two super-dramatic jumping saves for balls that threatened to loft over her head. In the midfield, Senior Kendra Kern and Sophomore Kristen Zito repeatedly stripped the ball from driving Rowan players, not afraid to match the Profs shoulder-to-shoulder. As the half ended, Muhlenberg continued to press deep into Rowan territory.

In the second half, Michelle left with a knee injury and Sophomore Jackie Vanderstreet came in front of the net. She continued to be solid in front of Rowan shots, making a beautiful diving save halfway through the second period.

At 29:05, Freshman Shannon Lowther drove past the last Rowan defender and then beat the goalie to make the score 2-0 Muhlenberg. Shannon played her best game yet for the Mules, and really demonstrated her potential.

The Mules continued to stop the Rowan attack. Despite some chippy play by the Profs, Muhlenberg kept their cool, and did not allow themselves to be drawn into cheap retaliation penalties. The whole mix of Muhlenberg's defense, midfield, and offense began to click and to flow smoothly as a unit.

Later in the half Rowan eventually evened the score, and took the Mules into overtime.

The crowd, vociferously behind their team the whole game, continued to root for their Mules, applauding each breakaway, and cheering each defensive clear of the ball from the Muhlenberg zone. The tension mounted as the first overtime of fifteen minutes ticked down to zero with the score still two-two. Ominous clouds began to gather, and a cold breeze blew across Varsity field.

The team continued to match Rowan play for play, refusing to go down. Then, late in the second overtime, Rowan tallied, and that is how the game finished, 3 goals to 2, in the now pouring rain, in favor of Rowan.

It was a hard fought game all the way. The Mules are really showing that they can compete with any team in the region. There is plenty of talent and drive on this year's squad, and under the leadership of Coach Leslie Benintend, each game Muhlenberg gets better and better. "[We] played really, really good as a team," Coach Benintend commented later. "We need that to continue."

Field hockey team upsets John Hopkins in thrilling overtime win

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

The Muhlenberg Women's Field Hockey team jumped out to a great start for the 1996 Centennial Conference season.

The team upset John Hopkins 2-1 in a thrilling overtime game on Saturday.

The scoring came from young faces in the win against Johns Hopkins.

Freshman Beth Hughes scored on a feed from Christy Rudderow to give the Mules their first goal.

Senior goal tender Patricia Dehoff kept the Mules in the game. She faced eight shots, saving seven of the shots.

In overtime, junior co-captain Rudderow assisted again. This time, she connected with sophomore Sommer Settell.

It was Settell's first career goal and it couldn't have come at a better time.

The win gives the Lady Mules their first win of the season. It lifts their overall record to 1-2.

They lost earlier in the week to Division II powerhouse East Stroudsburg 7-1.

It also gives the Lady Mules an undefeated record in the Centennial Conference.

Johns Hopkins is typically a strong player in the quest for the Centennial Conference Field Hockey Championship. Beating Johns Hopkins shows that the Lady Mules should improve on their 4-13 record of last season.

Their schedule, this week, remains difficult. Today, the team travels to William Patterson today. On Saturday, the team resumes their Centennial Conference schedule on the road at Western Maryland. They return home Tuesday against the Centennial Conference powerhouse, Gettysburg. The Mules hope to get off to their best Centennial Conference start in many years.

National Sports Update

• The Baltimore Orioles shattered the major league record for home runs Saturday against the Detroit Tigers bringing their season total to 243. The previous record holders were the 1961 New York Yankees who with the likes of Mickey Mantle and Roger Maris hit 240 home runs.

• Paul Molitor tripled for his 3000th hit when the Minnesota Twins faced off against the Kansas City Royals on Monday. He became the 21st player to reach that mark and the first to do so with a triple.

• Free-agent point guard Kenny Smith signed with the Detroit Pistons on Tuesday. Smith, who averaged 8.5 points and 3.6 assists for Houston last season had his rights renounced by the Rockets.

• The United States defeated Canada in two of three games to win the World Cup of Hockey.

• Orlando Magic center Jon Koncak will miss the entire NBA season after a third surgery on his left knee last week.

• Jim Leyland resigned as manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates on Tuesday effective at the end of the season.

• Mark McGwire became the 13th player to reach 50 home runs in a season. McGwire came close in 1987 but was forced by an injury to the disabled list.

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Football team blown out in home against Catholic

Mules take 68-11 drubbing from Division III powerhouse

by C.J. Lenat
Weekly Sports Writer

The Muhlenberg College football team opened it's season Saturday with a 68-11 loss to Catholic University.

When Catholic put together a drive culminating with a thirteen yard touchdown pass on their opening possession, it could be seen that Muhlenberg was overmatched.

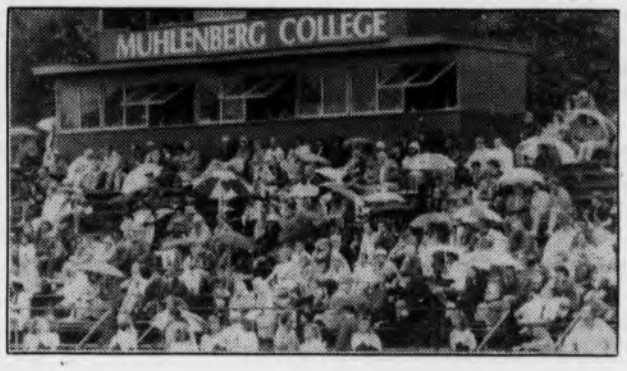
Head Coach Greg Olejack said that "we were beaten by a better football team.

We worked hard, but the bottom line is that we were beaten by a team that will eventually be ranked in the top ten."

After Catholic's opening-drive touchdown, the Mules bounced back with an impressive drive that led to a 38 yard Mark Mogavero field goal.

But those points were all Muhlenberg could put on the board until the end of the third quarter when Junior quarterback George Fosdick connected with wide receiver Brian Steele for the rookie wide out's first touchdown reception as a Mule. Fosdick and Steele connected again for the two-point conversion.

While the defense for the Mules at



times showed flashes of brilliance, such as when they forc-ed the Cardinals to punt deep in their own territory, most of the time they were overmatched by Catholic's size and strength.

Coach Olejack said that "their offensive line was outstanding. Our defensive line needs to be more 'hands on' in order to compete."

Olejack also singled out the wide receivers for Catholic as being one of the main reasons the Cardinals did so well.

At 6'5" and 5'10", the Cardinals' wide outs had a distinct advantage of the shorter Mules secondary.

"We can't replicate 6'5"," Olejack said, "but our guys tried hard."

Coach Olejack said that he saw a lot of plusses out on the field. He mentioned the kicking game, specifically Frank Gripp, a junior punter.

Gripp punted the ball seven times with an average of 33.3 yards, including one punt in which he had to make an acrobatic grab because of a high snap.

Olejack said that Gripp "did an outstanding job for us. He's capable of hitting an average of 40 yards."

Another plus for the Mules was their offensive line. Matched up against a bigger Catholic defensive line, Muhlenberg stood their ground.

"They gave the quarterback a lot of time to throw" Olejack said.

Matt Lunn, a junior running back played well, running the ball seven times for 47 yards.

Other running backs Mike Martino, Cory Wohlbach and Chris Cannell did a good job as well.

Also singled out by Coach Olejack were the senior captains. "They provided leadership and played well," he said.

Included in that group are Lionel Hush, a cornerback who had five tackles Saturday, Mike Mogavero, who booted a 38 yard field goal, defensive lineman Greg Bevan who had four tackles, and linebacker Dan Terpstra who had five tackles and Muhlenberg's only quarterback sack of the day.

Not only were the Mules outsized by Catholic, but they also had to deal with fourteen injured players, most of them starters.

Included on the injured list are offensive linemen Dave Boelker and Chuck Richard, both lost for the season, wide receiver and kick returner Steve Faella, out for two to three weeks with a leg injury, and strong safety Brian Fanning, also out for two weeks.

Billy Howlett and Seth Myers are both returning to action this week, but many more players including as defensive back Jason Bittiger and Dan Terpstra have injuries that could will be evaluated on a day-to-day basis.

The Mules' next two game will be just as challenging as they face #15 Dickinson and #19 Franklin and Marshall.

"No other Division III team opens with three top twenty teams" Coach Olejack said. "We have to bounce back, and we will," Olejack said.

"We have our work cut out for us. If we get our guys back, we'll do fine. We just have to focus on the next game, because the next game is always the most important."

Men's Soccer splits matches at Frostburg tournament

by Seth Leichter
Weekly Sports Writer

The men's soccer team traveled to play Washington and Jefferson and Virginia Wesleyan this weekend.

On Saturday, the Mules played Washington and Jefferson. The team won 2-1 in overtime.

The first half was scoreless. Washington and Jefferson broke the monotony with two minutes into the second half after some missed opportunities by the Mule offense.

But, the Mules battled back against the cold and the wind to tie it up at one a piece with six minutes left in regulation when captain Mike Schaffer(1-1-3) put the biscuit in the basket off of a restart.

The first overtime was a back and forth battle with no goals.

Muhlenberg scored the game winner in the second overtime, when freshman Michael Hamelton(0-2-2), "took a left-footed inswinging kick to the net" and Todd Ervin(3-1-7),"lept like a salmon" over the crossbar and headed the ball passed Washington and Jefferson's keeper, according to Coach Tipping.

Coach Tipping was not pleased with the teams performance on Saturday commenting that they were disjointed, not applying ample pressure and not passing well. Tipping said ,"We knew that we dodged a bullet"

On a lighter note, Sean Topping's performance in this game was outstanding.

Even though the team won, they lost one of their offensive weapons when Brian Krug(2-0-4) broke his tibia during the game.

The team met Sunday morning to regroup for the game against Virginia Wesleyan.

Like in the game on the previous day, the first half was scoreless and two minutes into the second half, the opposition scored.

Virginia's goal recalled by Tipping was an "Irish fluke Rick-O'Shea", in which the shot was blocked by a Mule fullback and charomed into the net.

The Mules fought bravely and had many good chances that hit the post and the crossbar, but failed to brake the seal and lost 1-0.

Tipping was pleased with the improved play by all from the previous game.

He added that the their pressure and passing was good.

The 4-5-1 formation steadily gets better as it opened gaps which led to many scoring chances.

Muhlenberg travels to Elizabethtown on Wednesday for what has always been a tough regional battle.

Last year the Mules went undefeated against Elizabethtown with a win and a tie.

Cross Country stays in the running with a respectable showing at Lebanon Valley Invitational

by Tony Brown
Weekly Sports Writer

On September 14 Muhlenberg's men and women's cross country teams competed in the Lebanon Valley Invitational. Both team's completed the race in the top portion of the standings.

Our women's team finished ninth out of the thirty-one teams competing.

The Lady Mules were lead by sophomore Susan Van Riper, who finished twenty-fifth out of a possible three hundred and one runners.

Susan ran the 5100 meters race in 21.01. Not far behind Susan was freshman Cindy Bredefeld, who completed the race in 21.02 capturing the twenty sixth position.

Elissa Murphy's twenty-ninth place finish placed three lady mule amongst the top thirty runners. The Lady Mules defeated Centennial Conference rival Franklin & Marshall, Ursinus, Bryn Mawr, and Albright.

Overall individual times stand as such: Sue Van Riper 21.01, Cindy Bredefeld 21.02, Elissa Murphy 21.13, Lauren Weisenberger 22.38, Lori Bennett 23.51, Jackie Miners 24.13, Susan Borek 24.13, Katy Dufosse 24.38, and Jennie Love finishing with a time of 24.50.

The men's cross country team finished thirteenth out of the thirty team competing on September 14. The men's team was lead by Peter Dunlaevy, who completed the 7700 meter course in the thirty-eight position with a time of 26.30. The men team was able to beat Drew, Albright, and LVC, while falling in competition to division rivals Gettysburg, Dickinson, Ursinus and Swarthmore.

The standing for the race stand as such: Peter Dunlaevy 26.30, James Batzel 27.03, Steve Smullin 27.28, Josh Mchale 27.48, Tom Bailey 28.57, Samir Pandya 30.16, Frank Scholes 30.40, David Brightbill 30.45, John Rassini 30.54, Matt Hayn 31.17, Carl Magdefrau 32.20, and Matt Hazelton 33.09.

The next cross country meet is on September 28 at Lebanon Valley with Swarthmore and Allentown.

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New Director of Athletics

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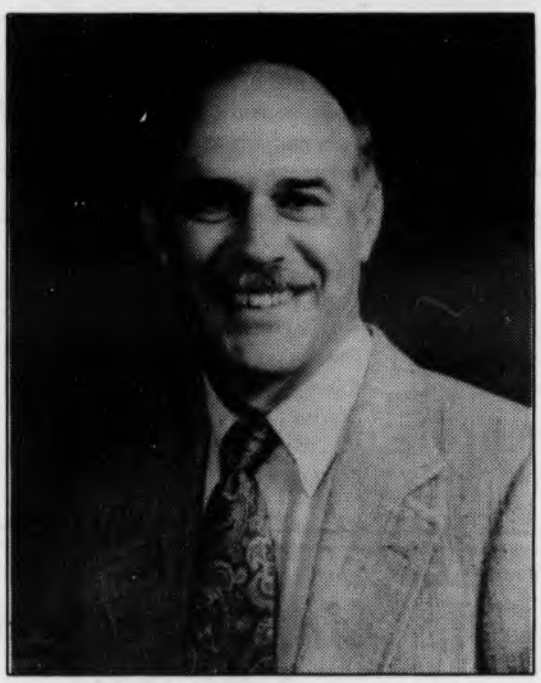

Muhlenberg College has announced the hiring of Stephen P. Erber, an athletics administrator and former wrestling coach at Binghamton (N.Y.) University, as director of athletics, effective Nov. 1.

Erber replaces Connie Kunda, who had served as interim director of athletics since June 1, 1995, following the resignation of 11-year director Ralph Kirchenheiter. Kunda has been named associate director of athletics and will continue in her role as senior women's administrator and head of the academic Department of Physical; Education, Recreation and Athletics.

"Steve emerged from a very competitive applicant pool due to his demonstrates strengths in the areas of student-athlete relations, working with coaches, program development and fund-raising," said Kurt Thiede, dean of student life. "These skills, along with his strong and enthusiastic commitment, will give ongoing support for the sports that are currently successful, while providing direction and encouragement to those that are developing,".

"I am thrilled that Steve Erber is joining the Muhlenberg community in this capacity. He is the right person to lead our athletic program to the level of achievement to which the College is striving,".

As director of athletics, Erber will supervise Muhlenberg's 18-sport varsity

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Tony Brown speaks on racism, the economy

by Tatanisha K. Peets
***Weekly* Staff Writer**

This past Tuesday, Tony Brown came to speak to the Muhlenberg community. Brown is a very prominent figure in the media, especially in New York where he has a television show on PBS, "Tony Brown's Journal", and hosts a radio show on WLIB. He has recently written a best-seller entitled "Black Lies, White Lies". Brown is currently working on many projects, one of which is building a cyberspace network in the tri-state area. There were many issues discussed on Tuesday evening, but essentially Brown spoke about racism, money, the poor, and technology in respect to the future.

In today's time there is constant talk about the numerous ills of society. Racism is one of the big issues in these present times. Tony Brown expressed his opinion on this issue. Abraham Lincoln's definition of slavery was "You work, I eat". This statement represents many old attitudes and emotions from the past that still pervade our society today. In today's society, African Americans are the most marginalized group in the country. Brown believes that the most marginalized group in a society are often the "fortune tellers" for the society's future. Many people have the attitude that what is happening among the African American community is not going to happen to anyone else. One of Mr. Brown's main contentions is that it will happen to everyone; it just happens to the most marginalized group first. What must be realized here is that the problem is not a single culture's situation, it is the result of the American culture as a whole and will ultimately be experienced in some form or fashion by all Americans, as current events are beginning to prove. Mr. Brown conveyed to us that "race and gender were instruments used to insidiously divide ourselves" in the 20th century, "but will not be props for the 21st century,".

Mr. Brown brought the issue of money and inflation under a whole new light. The U.S. is the leading debtor nation. NARU is a widely unrecognized policy used by the government and the federal reserve to fight inflation. They way they fight inflation is by keeping six percent of our population, or 8,000,000 Americans, unemployed. What is inflation? Many people think inflation is simply rising prices. In reality, this is just a result of inflation. Inflation is the act of printing currency. The more money that is printed and circulated, the more inflation increases. Keeping people unemployed is one way to reduce circulation of money.

What is money? When we hold up our paper bills it reads "This note is legal tender for all debts, public and private." It is a promissory note, an I.O.U. It is a certificate for a dollar. Two things give money its power; our belief in it and its circulation. Our money as we know it "is not backed silver or gold but by a six trillion dollar debt that will never be

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Countdown to Election '96

Muhlenberg to host pre-election series

The Muhlenberg College Committee on Political Awareness is presenting a series of speakers in preparation for the 1996 election. The following is a schedule for events in the series:

Tuesday, October, 8
7:30 PM - Trumbower
Rep. Paul McHale
U.S. Rep. of 15th District

Wednesday, October 9
7:30 PM - Trumbower
Wilson Carey McWilliams ---"Citizenship and Democracy in Election '96"
Rutgers University, Author of The Idea of Fraternity in America and The Politics of Discontent

Wednesday, October 16
7:30 PM - Trumbower
Bob Kilbanks
Republican candidate for 15th Congressional District

Wednesday, October 23
7:30 PM - Trumbower
Gerald Pomper --- "Election of '96"
Eagleton Institute, Rutgers University, Author of Passions and Interests, Election in America, and Voter's Choice

Wednesday, October 30
7:30 PM - Trumbower
Third Party Forum
Ken Sturzenacker
- Libertarian Candidate for 15th Congressional District
Phillip Faust
- Natural Law Candidate for 15th Congressional District

Wednesday, November 5
7:30 PM - Red Door
Election Night: Decision '96
(Follow election results along with a panel of Muhlenberg College faculty)

Tuesday, November 12
7:30 PM - Trumbower
Ken Walsh, White House Correspondent
Author of Feeding the Beast

for more information, contact Dr. Charles Bednar at x3445

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News Digest

compiled by Alice Chumard

Seven Iraqi hijackers surrendered to police at London's Stansted Airport after freeing the passengers and crew of a Sudanese airliner commandeered during a flight to Jordan.

Clinton proposed a $2.75B literacy campaign, as well as a limited capital-gains tax break for some homeowners and a measure to encourage jobs for people leaving welfare.

Indian rescue parties have recovered the bodies of 214 people who died when a snowstorm and heavy rains struck a Hindu pilgrim route in the Himalayas last week.

TWA crash investigators found no indication that a short circuit caused the explosion that brought down the Paris - bound 747 off Long Island July 17. This conclusion ruled out one more type of mechanical failure as the cause of the crash.

South Korean police arrested nearly 350 students during raids on 23 universities as part of a crackdown on groups supporting Communist North Korea.

Mutual fund investors are moving strongly back into funds this month, many big fund companies report.

ValuJet won tentative regulatory clearance to fly again. It aims to resume service with as many as nine aircraft, initially serving four cities from Atlanta.

France said it has deported 88 Africans in a crackdown on illegal immigrants that included a police raid last week on a Paris church occupied by 300 people demanding residence permits.

Unemployment fell to 5.1% last month, its lowest rate since 1989, and average hourly wages rose solidly.

Hurricane Fran killed at least 22 people and caused about $1billion in damage when it struck North Carolina Thursday and continued northwest before dispersing.

Yeltsin may transfer power to Prime Minister Chernomyrdin when he undergoes open heart surgery this month, but only briefly, Chief of Staff Chubais said.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher stated the "Middle East peace process is in a state of crisis" due to tensions aroused during last week's violence. During three days of riots, 56 Palestinians and 15 Israelis were killed. A summit was called in an attempt to alleviate these tensions; however, chances of success for the summit look grim.

President Clinton signed a spending bill Monday to finance government operations. The bill provides about $600 billion for discretionary and entitlement programs.

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Author Tony Brown speaks at the 'Berg

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paid,". If the U.S. continues like this, our currency will be destroyed and we will be subject to other nations. This sounds far fetched but it is so real and we are so blind. Our economy is sinking and this is a very real possibility.

We neglect the poor in our society. Mr. Brown said that this is a big mistake. Trickle down economics is backwards thinking. Through the poor we can minimize America's economic affliction. We must build from the bottom up. "Strengthen the weakest chain". He used two main examples to explain this statement; the parable of the prodigal son, and the NBA. Brown cites the NBA as a prime example of positive affirmative action. The best player gets drafted to the worst team, and vice versa. It is possible on any given night that the best team loses to the worst team. This makes the overall league more competitive and more people watch. The more people watch, the more the money comes in. It is a win-win situation.

Tony Brown's prediction for the wave of the future is that people will be "standing upside down on our heads and trying to interpret the world". He continued on to say that "the future is an era of haves and have nots. Either you will have a computer and use it to create wealth or you won't." The 21st century is going to be on-line. You will need to know how to work with computers just to earn a living. The basic requirement for a job won't be four years of college, it will be the computer skills one possesses. No matter what major you choose, you will need a computer.

We live in a world where moral value, meaning the knowledge of right and wrong, is very limited. America must first realize the drastic changes that are occurring and will continue to occur in this country, and secondly stop using issues such as race and gender to divide instead of unite us. These two steps will enable Americans to work together cooperatively in the new era that is rapidly arriving. Utilization of our different cultures and our technological advancements is imperative to our success.

Tony Brown's newest project is "Freedom", set to take place on October 16th at Mirage Nightclub in N.Y.C. Brown will essentially make his own money for this. It is legal and backed by $100,000. Brown explained that "Money is anything you trade to get what you want. Freedom is money, a barter and a trade note and a marketing tool in a new money system. With Freedoms, you get what you want without the dollars,—Freedom!"

The sisters of Delta Zeta welcome their new members:

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Melissa Ciappetta
Sarah Clarke
Lisa Commander
Holly Degnan
Lisa DeSimone
Jennifer Dickerman
Jennifer Dite
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Lehigh Valley AIDSWALK kicks off Ribbon Project

by Steven Grossman
Weekly Staff Writer

On Sunday, September 29, the Lehigh Valley AIDSWALK marked the first off-campus activity of the RIBBON Project here at Muhlenberg College. The day began with a 10:30 worship service in the Chapel with a different focus. All of the music was played by Matt Hittinger '00 and the Chapel Choir, with hymns specially chosen for the occasion. After the service everyone gathered together to head over to Bethlehem's Rose Garden, which served as the starting point for the 5 km walk.

Unfortunately, the turnout by the Muhlenberg community was described as being very disappointing in comparison to the number of people that signed up. In attendance were Carole Silvoy, Chaplain King, Barbara Keener, Joel Mittleman, and the Phi Sigma Sigma sorority sisters and pledges. Joel is nine years old and he alone raised $100, won a T-shirt, and completed the walk.

The AIDSWALK was sponsored by FACT (Fighting AIDS Continuously Together), and the proceeds went to local agencies helping those infected with or affected by the disease. Carole Silvoy, Associate in Ministry at the Chapel, believes that it's important for the school to be actively good neighbors in the Lehigh Valley. "It's really a shame, because Muhlenberg students keep saying we're not apathetic, but this is where the reputation comes from." On a happier note she said, "It was a beautiful day and there were lots of people from all different backgrounds,".

"RIBBON stands for Remembering, Informing, Breaking Barriers, Outreach, Now, and it is a year long program focusing on education and action in the fight against AIDS," says Carole. The Lehigh Valley AIDSWALK was only the first of many events planned by the RIBBON Project throughout the year. There will be movies such as *Jeffrey* and *The Cure*, which deal with pediatric AIDS. Another possibility is *Eagle Scout*, which deals with an AIDS victim who is not gay.

"It's an incredible day," enthuses student Eli Katz, who is trying to fill a bus on October 20 to the Philadelphia AIDSWALK; an 8.2 mile walk starting at the Art Museum and going around the Schuylkill River and Fairmount Park. All of the money raised will go to 63 beneficiary organizations.

Then, during fall break, 25 Muhlenberg students and 3 faculty members will have the opportunity to go on the RIBBON Project fall break trip to the AIDS Memorial Quilt Display in Washington D.C. "The fact that the quilt is such a large capacity that it can cover 50 football fields says something about today's society and about the heights that this disease is reaching," says Eli, who has been working with the AIDS cause since eighth grade. "Students will help set up the display and answer questions about the project, but it goes beyond that. When we get back to school, it'll be our job to further educate people,".

World AIDS Day is December 1, but here it will be celebrated on December 2, which will mark the close of the first semester's events. There will be activities all day long; including an interfaith service of healing and an appearance by Scott Fried. Fried is a professional actor, who plays an HIV positive character, named Bart , on *Guiding Light*. Fried is also HIV positive in real life.

Next semester the RIBBON Project is looking at the possibility of bringing some part of the quilt here in the spring. Carole says, "We will start focusing on outreach, fund-raising, activities in the community, getting beyond the campus boundaries, and making real bonds with the people,".

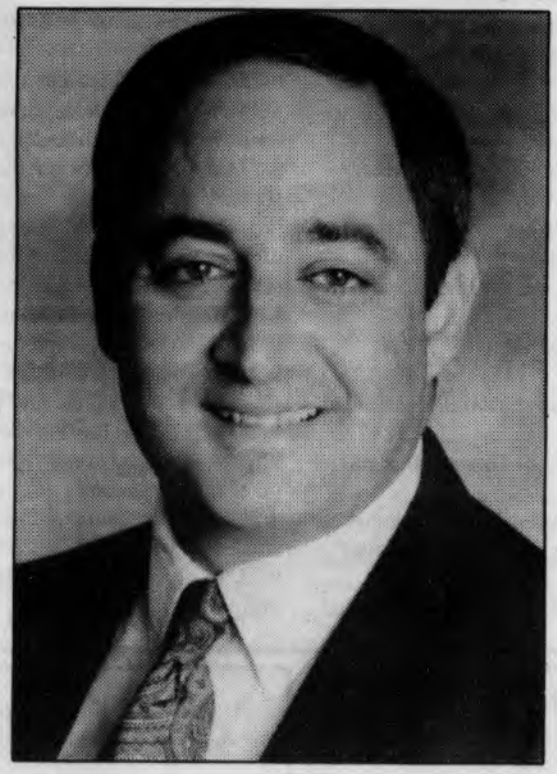
To sign up for the Philadelphia AIDSWALK contact Eli Katz at x4557. To pledge money to help students finance their Washington D.C. trip call Carole Silvoy at x3121 or Patti Mittleman at x3244.

New PR director appointed

Michael Bruckner joins the Muhlenberg team

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

On September 13, Michael S. Bruckner was appointed vice president of public relations by President Arthur Taylor. Bruckner said he came to Muhlenberg after years in a private corporation because, "I missed the interaction with staff, faculty, and students. I enjoy being around college age students...it makes me feel young."



Bruckner joins Muhlenberg after five years as a senior account executive with Gehrung Associates, a college relations counseling service in New Hampshire. Other jobs Bruckner has held include: director of sports communications at the University of New Hampshire, the assistant public relations director at American International College, a sports commentator, and a newspaper reporter. He received his bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Rhode Island.

The job of vice president of public relations is seen as an opportunity by Bruckner whose responsibilities include: media and community relations, major campus events, publications, and managing the radio station, WMUH.

Bruckner does wish to make some changes in his office. For example he commented, "We want to be very proactive." He believes Muhlenberg has good stories to tell and they must be told because visibility is so important for the College.

Currently, there are over 3,000 colleges and universities vying for students and therefore, Muhlenberg must really stand out. He said, "We are a small part of a large team...one piece of a puzzle that can help the overall." He feels his piece is responsible for helping admissions recruit, help improve alumni relations, and help fund-raising efforts which are vital to College at this time.

Bruckner feels extremely lucky to be working with a talented staff, which makes his job easier. He said, "I'm lucky that I have President Taylor and Christopher Hooker-Haring. They make public relations easier because they are good spokesmen."

Since he is new at the job, Bruckner gave himself until October 1 to learn more about how Muhlenberg works. In order to meet his "deadline", Bruckner said he is "Trying to meet with as many faculty members as possible."

Student focus is always a topic of most important interest at Muhlenberg. Bruckner said on the subject, "We're always looking for student focused stories. I'd like more interaction with the kids. I can't get enough of the students."

Faculty approves Discourse Day for spring semester

by Jessica Gullickson
Editor-at-Large

"Discourse Day" was approved for the spring semester during the second faculty meeting this past Monday.

The faculty unanimously approved the motion to hold "Discourse Day" on February 19, and cancel day classes for that Wednesday. Despite the confusion that arose last year concerning field work assignments and other off-campus commitments, the Monday prior to "Discourse Day" will again follow a Wednesday schedule.

Dr. Joan Marx, chairperson of the Academic Policy Committee, discussed the APC's choice to have the day on Wednesday, stating that having the day on Monday may not bring a large attendance. In response to faculty questions about the confusing schedule, Marx said that it was too late to change this year's schedule, but that the option of having the day on a Monday next year was not inconceivable.

The Center for Ethics, credited with the success of the first "Discourse Day" last year, will again plan the day's lectures and group discussions for the spring.

Michael Bruckner, who replaced Chris Messina-Boyer as the new Vice President in Public Relations, spoke to the faculty concerning the need for increased communication within the campus structure. He shared his "four-prong" philosophy concerning the College's media attention and emphasized his desire to have more faculty members submit opinion pieces and guest commentaries to the local and national media.

Chairperson Dr. Krosky presented the Curriculum Committee's recommendation for three new courses.

The faculty unanimously approved the addition of *Francophone Cultures of the Africa and the Caribbean* to the permanent curriculum. The course will carry the "C" (Cultural Diversity) perspective requirement. In addition, *Introduction to Traditional Chinese Art* was approved for the permanent curriculum and will carry both the "C" and "A" (Fine Art) perspective requirements. The faculty also approved the addition of *Cell Biology II* in response to the rapidly increasing research in the field. Currently, the College offers one semester of *Cell Biology* as opposed to the traditional two semester offering carried by many other colleges.

Cell Biology II is an independent course and students are not required to take *Cell Biology I* before registering for the class.

The CC approved perspective requirement designations for the following special topics courses: "C" - *The Tao of the Body and the Mind - An Introduction to Traditional Chinese Medicine*, and *Latinos in the United States*; "H" - *Alternative America: The Loser's History of the United States, Stuart England, Byzantine History, Disease and Medicine in American History (Muhlenberg Scholars)*, and *Latinos in the United States.*

The College Committee for Fitness and Athletics announced that they have hired Steven Erber as the new Director of Athletics. Erber will assume his position November 1. The committee also announced that a student advisory committee has been formed in addition to the committee.

Dr. Gambino announced that the Political Awareness Club has assembled a lecture series for the pre-election month of October. Dr. Sistare, in addition, also noted the upcoming Center for Ethics lectures by authors from the summer reading list.

At the request of the faculty, next month's meeting will include a discussion regarding student responsibility for "incomplete" grades in courses and the grading policies established for special situations such as students with documented learning disabilities.

Campus Safety Notes

Multiple alcohol violations plague the fraternities

9/17/96 - Fire alarm - 319 N. 22 St. - steam from shower
9/17/96 - Alcohol violation - Benfer
9/18/96 - Theft - Ettinger - garden hose
9/18/96 - Fire alarm - Bernheim basement - burnt food
9/18/96 Assist outside agency - non-student hit student in DUI accident
9/19/96 - Vandalism - TKE - egg throwing by students
9/19/96 - Theft - Hillside house - book bag
9/19/96 - Unregistered party - Keck House
9/19/96 - Investigation - Prosser - possession of drugs
9/20/96 - Report of smoke/fire - Maintenance department
9/21/96 - Alcohol violation - Benfer - unregistered party
9/22/96 - Disturbance - Chew Street - guest and students
9/22/96 - Fight - Parents Plaza - student on student
9/22/96 - Damaged vehicle - 23rd St. lot - broken mirror
9/22/96 - Vandalism - East Hall C - smashed fire extinguisher
9/23/96 - Theft - Keck House - blue emergency light taken
9/23/96 - Theft - Haas - wooden trenches
9/23/96 - Theft - Life Sports Center - wallet
9/23/96 - Fire Alarm - Prosser - pulled station first floor
9/24/96 - Fire safety violation - ML - incense
9/24/96 - Hit and run - Front lot - damage to drivers side mirror
9/24/96 - Fire alarm - TKE - steam from shower
9/25/96 - Harassment by communication - N. 22 St.
9/25/96 - Motor vehicle accident - ML lot - employee
9/25/96 - Fire alarm - N. 22 St. - steam from shower
9/25/96 - Injured student - Benfer
9/25/96 - Malicious mischief - Kern Field - wires out of scoreboard
9/27/96 - Disorderly conduct - 23 St. - student
9/27/96 - underage drinking and noise ordinance violation - 2102 Allen - 3 students arrested - Michael Dawson, Anthony Buccafurni, and David Allen
9/28/96 - Alcohol violation- Trexler lawn
9/28/96 - Alcohol violation - Sigma Phi Epsilon - providing alcohol to minors
9/28/96 - Theft - Prosser - wallet
9/28/96 - Injured visitor - football field - glass from press box
9/28/96 - Fire alarm - 2223 Chew St. - stove fire
9/28/96 - Injured student - Brown - ankle injury
9/28/96 - Information - off campus party broken up by APD
9/29/96 - Alcohol violation - Seegers - student arrested - Aaron Bova
9/29/96 - Injured student - SPE
9/29/96 - Underage alcohol consumption - Turner Street - found in car
9/29/96 - Alcohol violation - TKE - alcohol to minors
9/29/96 - Alcohol violation - Prosser driveway - underage consumption
9/29/96 - Alcohol violation - ATO - alcohol to minors
9/29/96 - Disorderly conduct - Prosser - student
9/29/96 - Disturbance - ATO - two brothers and two guests
9/29/96 - Criminal mischief - back drive - tipped over porta-pots
9/29/96 - Unsecured property - bulk mail room
9/29/96 - Unsecured property - purchasing and receiving
9/29/96 - Harassment by communications - Prosser
9/29/96 - Harassment by communications - Walz
9/29/96 - Harassment by communication - East
9/30/96 - Fire - Seegers lower level
9/30/96 - Fire alarm - ML - pulled box on first floor

The sisters of Phi Mu love their Phis:

Karen Jones
Lori Bennet
Rosi Welsh
Carolyn Smith
Gwen Sarver
Megan Brown
Kristen Stensrod
Kelly Sczerba
Susan Kraiij
Gillian Latz
Meghan Herz
Vicki Burse
Katie Meatcalfe
Jenn Spangler
Theresa Khel

Phi Sigma Sigma

welcomes its new members:

Betsy Anderson
Kristine Aukema
Noelle Bates
Katie Clauss
Tara Dierking
Kristina Dougherty
Jill Fornal
Andrea Fryer
Kimberly Glick
Tiffany Griffin
Anne Hudzinski
Lori Kellogg
Cheryl Nelson
Jill Newcomer
Cori Sanogueira
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Miranda Vapaa
Kimberly Tizte
Aimee VanEenennaam
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Erber anxious to elevate 'Berg athletics

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intercollegiate athletics program, as well as the intramural and recreation departments. One of his major responsibilities will be fundraising for anticipated future field renovation projects.

"Muhlenberg is an outstanding liberal arts college, and serving as it's director of athletics is a great opportunity," said Erber. "Being in a position to provide leadership to a program and a school that values athletics as a part of its overall educational mission, that has an administration that fully supports athletic competition and the student-athlete concept, and that participates in the Centennial Conference with some of the finest colleges and universities in the nation, is a very exciting development in my career. I am looking forward to playing a part in moving Muhlenberg athletics to a new level of excellence within the Centennial Conference and the NCAA,".

Erber has spent the last 14 years in athletics administration at Binghamton. Named director of athletic development in March 1995, he initiated and implemented a comprehensive development program for intercollegiate athletics that dramatically increased major giving. Total membership donations to the school's athletic booster organization increased 60 percent. Erber initiated a successful annual/giving membership program for undergraduate students and developed an athletics endowment program.

From 1990 to 1995, Erber was associate director of athletics and administered the entire operations of Binghamton's intercollegiate athletics program, consisting of 19 varsity and two junior varsity sports. During that time, he participated in developmental long-range planning, including field house construction and major outdoor track renovation; the elevation of women's soccer from club to varsity status; and the strategic overhaul of the struggling men's basketball program that resulted in increased spectator attendance and the school's first conference championship. Erber also instituted the Student Athletics Council, a representative body of student athletes that met regularly with athletic administration. From 1982 to 1990, he was an assistant director of athletics, with responsibility for men's sports.

As a testament to his contributions, Erber received the State University of New York Athletic Conference Distinguished Service Award, normally given to retired persons, this year. It is the Conference's highest honor.

A highly respected figure in the wrestling world, Erber founded Binghamton's wrestling program in 1967 and coached the next 22 seasons, accumulating 152 wins, 34 NCAA All-Americans, four individual NCAA Champions and six top-10 NCAA finishes to his credit. The 1984 Division III coach of the year, Erber has served on numerous national wrestling committees and has coached all-star teams in international competition. He received the Penn State Wrestling Alumnus of the Year award in 1990 and was inducted into the NCAA Division III Wrestling Hall of Fame in 1992.

Erber graduated from Penn State in 1965 and received his master's from the University of Maryland two years later. He and his wife, Mary Lou, have two children: Jeffery, a third-year student at the University of Chicago, and Melissa, a sophomore at Penn State.

News of the Weird -- Strange Stories That Will Make You Laugh

Lead Stories

Woe unto the Perfectionist: U.S. Attorney Kendall Coffey of Miami resigned in May. He reportedly bit a topless dancer on the arm at a nightclub to which he had gone to down his sorrows after losing the big "Los Muchachos" cocaine-smuggling case. And in North Brunswick, N.J., police charged Rutgers University math professor Walter Petryshyn, 67, with bludgeoning his wife to death. A friend said Petryshyn had become despondent recently because he feared his career had been ruined by an error in his latest textbook, "Generalized Topological Degree and Semilinear Equations."

The Bjorer Kagoj newspaper in Bangladesh reported that about 100 criminals attended the nation's first conference of muggers. The association decided that the city of Dhaka was prosperous enough to support a doubling of its daily rip-offs, from 60 to 120. The leader, Mohammad Rippon, was acclaimed "Master Hijacker" by the group for his record 21 muggings in a two hour period.

Breast exams in the News: This month, the first of six pending lawsuits for improper diagnoses against Washington, D.C., physician Peter Kwon goes on trial. According to one patient, Kwon "examined my breasts no matter what I tell him was wrong." Kwon admitted he gives breast exams to every female patient if more than 30 days has elapsed since her previous breast exam. In addition, the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Chiropractors finally suspended the license of Ronald A. Goldstein for giving improper massages to 14 women over a 17-year period. Goldstein had maintained that the "uterine lift" and "chest spread" treatments were legitimate.

Spirit

The Floyd County, Ky., coroner complained that ambulance drivers were taking obviously dead bodies to the hospital just so they could bill the county for rides. One man was rushed to the hospital even though his suicide shotgun blast was so powerful that it blew both eyeballs out of their sockets. Another had been dead so long that rigor mortis had commenced, leaving the body bent at the waist so it would not fit on a stretcher.

In January, the New York City Parks Department, which controls permits for vendors on park land, doubled the annual fee for the hot dog pushcart that had the exclusive license for the spot just south of the steps of the Metropolitan Museum of Art -- to $288,200 a year.

Reuters news service reported that German scientists at the Max Planck Breeding Institute have invented a suicidal potato -- whose cells automatically kill themselves if attacked by potato blight fungi, thus slowing the blight and saving crops.

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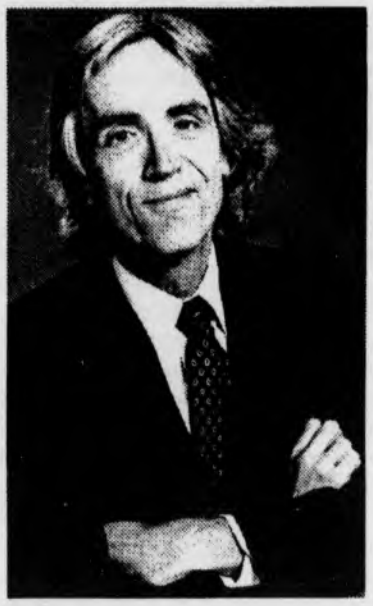

A current compilation of the most peculiar things people do, edited by Chuck Shepherd.

Proof that true stories are weirder than made-up stories.

Money

This summer in Putney, Vermont, Honey Loring expects 400 people will enroll in her two-week $1300 camp for dogs and their owners. At Camp Gone to the Dogs, there is doggie square dancing, doggie swimming, and a doggie bathing suit pageant.

The Central Wholesale in Sapporo, Japan, put two melons on sale with a pricetag of about $1,285 each. They were described as "perfect beauties" in color and sweetness.

From a classified ad in June 1996 Martha Stewart Living Magazine: The Protocol of Washington is accepting students in its class to train those who want to become "Children's Etiquette Consultants."

The Connecticut Division of Special Revenue issued two pages of regulations to govern charitable artificial-duck races. Included were requirements to give each contestant a diagram of the "natural stream of water," which "has a steady current" on which the race is to be conducted and which shows the starting and finishing points; to prevent anyone from guiding the ducks down the course; and to require the ducks be placed in a receptacle before the race for inspection against "counterfeit" artificial ducks.

The U.S. Treasury Department spent $32 million to print a new counterfeit-proof $100 bill. Within two months of the bill's release, fourteen counterfeits of the new bill had been passed.

I Don't Think So

A Hong Kong woman, So Lai-Kan, said she would appeal a shoplifting conviction (which means taking the case to court in England) because a Hong Kong judge did not believe her claim that the reason she walked out of a department store wearing two bras was because it was cold.

Caught With Your Pants Down

Urbandale, Iowa, police officer James R. Trimble made News of the Weird after his arrest in January, when he was caught driving around in his car with a battery-operated "sexual device inserted into his body." Police said he was found with large amounts of illegal drugs that he had stolen from the police evidence locker. He was fired from the force and given probation and 100 hours of community service. He will do what he used to as an officer - give anti-drug motivational speeches.

Government In Action

According to criticism from Gov. George Pataki, the New York City school board recently voted to spend $187,000 to put a metal art structure on the roof of P.S. 279 but not to repair the school's elevator, which has been broken for nearly two years. Pataki said the board has spent $11 million on artwork for public schools that have problems ranging from leaky roofs to outdated textbooks.

The Entrepreneurial People With Too Much

News of Mr. Weird -- Chuck Shepherd's Story

by Fred Wright
courtesy of United Press Syndicate

There's a lot of weirdness going on in the world.

Did you read the one about the 20 naked Pentecolists who were found crammed into a stalled Pontiac Grand Am by a Vinton, LA, police officer? They had all sold their possessions and were headed for salvation.

Or:

Did you read the one about the man in Long Beach, CA, who piled his half of a rented duplex with 30 tons of boulders and rocks, floor to ceiling, with just a narrow passage from bedroom to bathroom to kitchen? He had buried another 40 tons of used carpeting in the yard with a bulldozer.

Or:

Did you read the one about the Washington, D.C., lawyer and college professor who decided to give it all up and move to Redington Beach, FL, where he sits on his Gulf front balcony and writes about the weirdness of the world every week - for a living!

Indeed, a lot of weirdness in the world, and fortunately, Chuck Shepherd is on the hunt for all this weird news of the world. He has his five newspapers that he reads each day and he has hundreds of closet clippers out there who read obscure and sometimes obscene publications, which they faithfully and diligently send to Shepherd for his syndicated column, now in 220 daily and weekly newspapers around the country.

News of the Weird started as a hobby, as a diversion from the gut-wrenching stress of big-time pressure of working and living in Washington, D.C., for years.

Shepherd says he started collecting weird news in the '70s and for ten years passed the items along to friends via a personal newsletter, View from the Ledge. In February, 1988, the editor of a Washington, D.C., weekly, City Paper, began running a column of best View items. A year later, News of the Weird was running regularly in 20 alternative weekly newspapers around the country.

In 1989, Universal Press Syndicate, based in Kansas City, MO, took over and spread the weird word among dailies as well as weeklies, although the latter is still where News of the Weird seems most appropriate with its wacky, off-the-wall items about bizarre behavior of humans the world over.

Shepherd emphasizes that each and every time in News of the Weird is true. That's the hook - these are not rumors, not urban legends of wolves in Central Park or hookmen prowling lovers' lane, not unfounded creations of bored tabloid writers. There are no News of the Weird items about UFOs, about spontaneous combustion, about the paranormal. No, sir.

"You find yourself saying about just about every item, no matter how strange it seems, 'But this really happened!'" Shepherd explained. That's the guarantee he offers with his column. It's from legitimate press or it's been verified with telephone calls from his breezy beach balcony.

Before he discovered that syndicated weirdness could be a way of life, Shepherd practiced criminal law for two years, then worked in the Carter Administration in several different positions. Then he taught ten years at The George Washington School of Business, where he lectured on business law, regulation and social and economic policy. Shepherd holds a J.D. from American University and an M.B.A. from George Washington University.

He was attracted to Redington Beach for a much needed change of pace, he says, although he had Tampa Bay roots, having lived there until he was twenty.

He continues to scan his five newspapers each day - The Tampa Tribune, The St. Petersburg Times, The Washington Times, The Wall Street Journal, and The New York Times - and a lot of magazines. Shepherd also scours electronic databases with his computer.

The many loyal fans who help Shepherd gather information do so voluntarily. Since these people are so generous with their time, they receive a complimentary copy of Views From the Ledge, which Shepherd continues to publish. View is considered more fun by some because it is even more brash, more rash than the syndicated column. It contains more actual photos are clippings form magazines. Shepherd enjoys view because it is not read and edited by anyone and he can send it to who he likes without getting as much negative feedback.

Shepherd stresses how much better he likes the life of an author over that of a lawyer or a professor.

Consult the Mule.....

Your *Weekly* Horoscope

by Jennifer Zwirn and Sherry Lynn Fazio
Weekly Magazine columnists

Aries (3/21-4/19) So, Aries, you seem to be just a little uptight lately. You have been freaking out at the drop of a hat — in life, quite frequently, things just happen. Loosen up and just go with the flow...so what if you are ten minutes late for a movie. It's just a movie - there are much more important things in life. It seems that you are wasting all your energy on insignificant occurrences instead of the important situations which are right in front of you.

Taurus (4/20-5/20) Taurus, you are amazing. You were faced with quite a dilemma this past week, but you survived and are ready to face the world again. Things get pretty sticky sometimes, and it's hard to know just how to deal with them, especially when you realize that you are in college now and must face things yourself. But you really did come out ahead, and as soon as those other people involved realize that they can't mess with you, they'll see that you still have the upper hand. You'll see.

Gemini (5/21-6/20) So, you're known to be a bit indecisive and wondering what's wrong with that? Well, you're chock full of things to say, so why not share them with others? You've got a great blend of humor and sensibility; prove it to everyone. Also, focus on caring for yourself and your health - you've been running yourself ragged lately.

Cancer (6/21-7/22) Hey cancer, well well well, you seem to be quite the happy one lately! It's nice, for once, to have everything going you way. Even though your schedule is a little harder to manage, everything seems to be falling into place and it's all worth your trouble. Just remember the little people who helped you to get where you are...you never know when you're going to need someone.

Leo (7/23-8/22) Something you've long awaited will finally come your way. However, it won't end up the way you've always envisioned it. No need to feel down though - things will work out for you, once you decide exactly what it is you want. You have a tendency to tell people what they want to hear but it's time to share with them what you think.

Virgo (8/23-9/22) Okay, so you've been down and out lately. Well, no need to worry anymore. What you thought would cause you trouble is no longer a threat. Pay attention to what's going on with you, instead of others. You need to put yourself first from now on - hold you head up high and take advantage of all the wonderful things that this world has just waiting to offer you!

Libra (9/24-10/22) You'll be bothered by something you thought was unsolvable but don't worry - you woke up with an answer to the problem. You often think you get passed over while others get the attention. Well, Libra, this week you won't just sit there. You've gained the confidence you need to get you places. Don't let this newfound security leave you at then end of the week. It's a good thing for you, so be sure to keep it around.

Scorpio (10/23-11/21) Hey Scorpio, if you're bored with the way things are then get up and change them! You have so many exciting things going on in your life. When you focus on all the good stuff, it becomes quite difficult to concentrate on your dilemmas. You also tend to plan ahead instead of living for each moment. If you stop to actually enjoy little things in life, soon you won't have time for boredom!

Sagittarius (11/22-12/21) So Sagittarius, everything seems to be going surprisingly wonderfully lately. Enjoy it!! Savor every moment of your happiness because you soon may become upset about an unfortunate incident, but you'll get through it just fine as long as you remember that the good comes with the bad. Don't analyze things happening now or later, just have fun and enjoy yourself!

Capricorn (12/22-1/20) Come on now, Capricorn, what is up with you lately? Sure, you've got tons to do, but you've also been breaking promises left and right. Get your act together and stick to what you say. If you don't turn it around soon, you may lose something great and then you'll really regret it.

Aquarius (1/21-2/18) People will be surprising you everywhere you go this week! First, someone you regarded as shallow will actually reveal himself as a cool friend. Then, an unexpected gift may be coming your way, so stay on the lookout. One more thing, a Scorpio has caught your eye - don't just sit there, make a move for a change. You'll be so glad you did!

Pisces (2/19-3/20) As a Pisces, you're known for curiosity. So don't hold back one bit - go ahead and say whatever is on your mind! Even though you think your comments are perfectly appropriate and obvious, others may be a bit startled. Don't let their evil eyes and red blushing faces stop your mouth though. You are an angel in disguise who is much needed in every situation you come in contact with. Keep up the good work!

Weekly Guide to Student Activities

Friday, September 4 - Recital Hall 4:00 - Meet the Author of Fefu
Red Door 9:00 - Open Mic Night
Saturday, September 5 - Red Door 6:00 - MAC movie - Pulp Fiction
Red Door - 10:00 - Soul Clown
Sunday, September 6 - ATO 12:00- Frisbee Golf Tournament
Red Door 6:00 - MAC movie - Breakfast Club
Red Door 8:00 - MAC movie - Pulp Fiction
Monday, September 7 - Red Door 3:15 - Coffee and Fellowship
Chapel 8:00 - Speaker - John McGahern
Tuesday, September 8 - Red Door 9:00 - Billy Madison
Wednesday, September 9 - Lot next to Newman Center 5:00 - barbeque
Thursday, September 17 - Parent's Plaza 11:00 - Greek sponsored mocktails
Recital Hall 7:00 - Center for Ethics movie - The Working Girl
Friday, September 18 - Underground 9:00 - RHA Band - Bad Gouda
Red Door 9:00 - MAC movie - Usual Suspects
Saturday, September 19 - Fraternity houses 6:00 - non-alcoholic drinking games
Red Door 9:00 - Comedy Improv
Red Door 10:00 - Karaoke
Sunday, September 20 - Hillel trip to Holocaust Museum - call x3244
Paint Ball Bus Trip - call x3562
Red Door 6:00 - MAC movie - Usual Suspects
Monday, September 21 - Red Door 3:15 - Coffee and Fellowship
Recital Hall 6:30 - MAC movie - The Cure
Trumbower 130 8:00 - Speaker - Mike Green
Tuesday, September 22 - Trumbower 130 7:30 - Speaker - Ben Hamper
Red Door 9:00 - Choice Week movie - Leaving Las Vegas
Wednesday, September 23 Seegers room 110 9:00-6:00 - Senior pictures
Red Door 9:00 - Dave Binder concert

Weekly events

Mondays -All you can eat hot wings for $4.95 during Monday Night Football
Also, stay the whole game and be eligible to win a gift certificate to Outback or Rookies for $20.
Tuesdays - Jeopardy Challenge - First to answer Final Jeopardy wins menu selection.
Thursdays - Friends night - all you can eat nachos for $3.95 during NBC shows
Fridays - Drive in/Pick up at Red Door - pick up orders at loading dock - cash only

First Wive's Club brings together three great divas

courtesy of Universal Press Syndicate and the Dean's List

I've been married and been divorced. Luckily none of it was sordid and I didn't leave my wife for some younger version of herself. We just stopped liking one another. That's only part of the case in the film THE FIRST WIVE'S CLUB, a comedy about a trio of women who were best friends in college and are reunited upon the death of one their mutual friends. She committed suicide as the result of an unfullfilled life. Her husband also left her for a younger woman.

Once together, the women admit to one another that their domestic lives have also taken a bitter turn. Their husbands have split as well. The ladies decide to ban together and exact their revenge in comic fashion, making the boys literally pay for leaving them for younger, "trophy" women.

The men are depicted as mid-life crisis lowlifes, but the women, Goldie Hawn, Diane Keaton and Bette Midler are definitely the highlight of this film. It's a nice ensemble piece for the ladies. The script becomes a bit suspect and corny at times, heading more towards a sit-comish type of feel and when that happens the film tends to lose it's comic edge. That's Hugh Wilson's fault. The director spent a lot of time in television with WKRP in Cincinnati and the POLICE ACADEMY films.

Still the film is worth the trip simply for the trio that has bonded together . All of them take their turn in the limelight and sparkle, but in my opinion Goldie Hawn steals it with her portrayal of an actress fighting the ravages of time. I like the film enough to give it a B-. The B means Better than Most, and given the recent crop of big film releases, it is. And the MINUS goes to the script which at times fizzles and wanes. Ladies, it's a good date film. Take your men and quietly remind that,"Hell hath no scorn like a woman's fury."

We want to hear from you....

Let us know what you think of the newspaper. Suggest some improvements or let us know what works. We want to make the newspaper more responsive.

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Suggestion_____
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Weekly Movie Listings

AMC Theatres

That Thing You Do 1:00, 4:30, 7:40, and 9:50

The Mighty Ducks 3 1:45, 5:00, 7:40, 10:15, and 12:15

The First Wive's Club 1:20, 4:45, 7:30, 9:55, and 12:00

The Glimmer Man 1:50, 5:15, 7:30, 10:20, and 12:15

First Kid 1:30, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30, and 12:15

ID4 1:10, 4:30, 7:30, and 10:30

Extreme Measures 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 10:00, and 12:15

Two Days In The Valley 2:00, 5:20, 7:45, 10:10, and 12:10

Lehigh Valley

The Rich Man's Wife 12:20, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, and 9:45

The Crow 12:30, 2:45, 5:10, 7:40, and 9:40

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Bluesman dazzles audience at RHA sponsored coffeehouse

by Jillian Lovejoy
Weekly Magazine writer

The Underground of Martin Luther was transformed into a blues club last Friday night by K.J. James, the "Bluesman". James impressed his audience with his smooth voice, intense guitar rifts, and clever comments and segues between songs. His performance was so captivating that it sparked two Moravian students who had heard him play the night before to come to Muhlenberg to hear him again.

James, a self-taught musician who became interested in playing the blues after listening to his uncle, enchanted listeners with his music and personality. While he sang, he was intent on his music, but in between songs, his eyes gleamed mischievously as he joked with the audience.

Truly catering to the needs of the students present, James explained the history of the blues, going out of his way to make non-blues fans feel comfortable while listening. He offered to take any questions that the students may have had.

"I went in not knowing what to expect because I didn't know much about the blues. It was a great experience and a wonderful show that I really enjoyed a lot," said Alexis McGrath '00.

A diverse musician within his genre, James played a combination of blues, rhythm and blues, and rock rhythm and blues. Although he mostly performed covers of well known songs, he also performed some of his own original works.

James's rich, mellow voice was complemented by his masterful guitar playing. Throughout the course of the concert, he experimented with different tempos and styles, giving each song his own personal touch.

At times while he sang, it was apparent that he was holding back. Then James would let loose, impressing all with the power of his voice.

James proved his vocal talent on Friday - his performance was literally a vocal workout. He changed from an intense, raspy forte to a soothing, quiet piano within seconds. James never lost any intensity during the two hours that he played, not even stopping for a short break. In fact, he played longer than he intended to, lengthening the set for latecomers who wanted to hear more.

After the show was over, James talked with students who stayed, passing out his business card and encouraging phone calls. He was at ease with the students, and said that above all else, he wanted people to realize that, "The blues is music that lifts your spirits, not brings them down."

Fefu and Her Friends begins run on the Muhlenberg stage

Play features our own Devon Allen

by Mike Cuozzo
Weekly Magazine writer

The Muhlenberg Theatre Association is in the middle of putting on its first mainstage production of the 1996-1997 school year. Fefu and Her Friends is written and directed by 1996 Baker Artist-In Residence Maria Irene Fornes. The first week of shows took place from Friday, September 27 to Sunday, September 29. This week's shows start Wednesday, October 2, to Sunday, October 6.

The play takes place in the spring of 1935 in New England. Each of the play's three parts take place in Fefu's living room, bedroom, kitchen , and front yard. Fefu, played by the director of acting and artist-in residence Devon Allen, is host to seven of her friends for the day. Two of those friends, Cindy and Christina, played by Monica Stufft '00 and Crystl Horton '99 respectively, are at the house at the beginning of the show. Christina is a straight forward character who is easy to talk to as is Cindy who is spoken to more because she is friendly with everyone. Cindy is similar to Christina, except that she knows everyone better than Christina does.

Other friends show up later in the show, with Julia, played by Eli Katz '99, arriving first. Julia is in a wheelchair as a result of an accident, in which she shot by a hunter. After she was shot, Julia began to have hallucinations and throughout the play she kept saying that she felt "lifeless" because the "judges" will not leave her alone.

The next group of friends arrives consisting of Sue, Emma and Paula. The friends are played by Megan McGliney, Carey Kotula and Angelica Pinna Perez, respectively. Sue is the typical, everyday person, while is very artistic as can be seen by her lavish outfits. Paula's troubles are that she is having problems with love. These problems are highlighted with her former lover, Cecilia played by Rebecca Levine, comes to the house. Their talks consist of Paula telling Cecilia that she doesn't want her any more, but deep down they both still have feeling for each other.

Julia's hallucinations become worse as the "judges" begin to torment her more. Julia knows that Fefu is next on the "judges" list, as Fefu experiences her own hallucinations. Towards the end of the play all the girls are isolated in the some way and each cannot find a way over her wall.

On Sunday, a reception was held following the matinee. Fornes was there for discussion and to answer regarding her play. She stated that men are "judges" and that they don't respect women's uniqueness. She said that even when they are younger, men are allowed to express their vitality more than women can, as seen when Julia says she feels "lifeless". Another point of interest was that Fornes set the play in 1935, so she could be more candid, since the feminist movement hadn't really started yet.

Katz's performance was very powerful, as she was able to portray someone who was trying to live her life, even though she lost a vital part of it. Her ability to appear normal, while she was being torn apart inside by constant torment was well done. Allen achieved virtually the same thing, with the difference being that she transformed from the norm to delusional. The rest of the cast attained a level that separated each individual from the rest. Overall, a great show was put on by their cast and crew.

Muhlenberg Theatre Association

Meet the Author of Fefu and Her Friends

The author of Fefu and Her Friends, Maria Irene Fornes. She will be present to answer questions and talk to students. Afterwards, there will be a reception which will take place in the Recital Hall in the Center for the Arts. In addition, there will be a showing of the play that evening at 8:00 for which tickets are still available.

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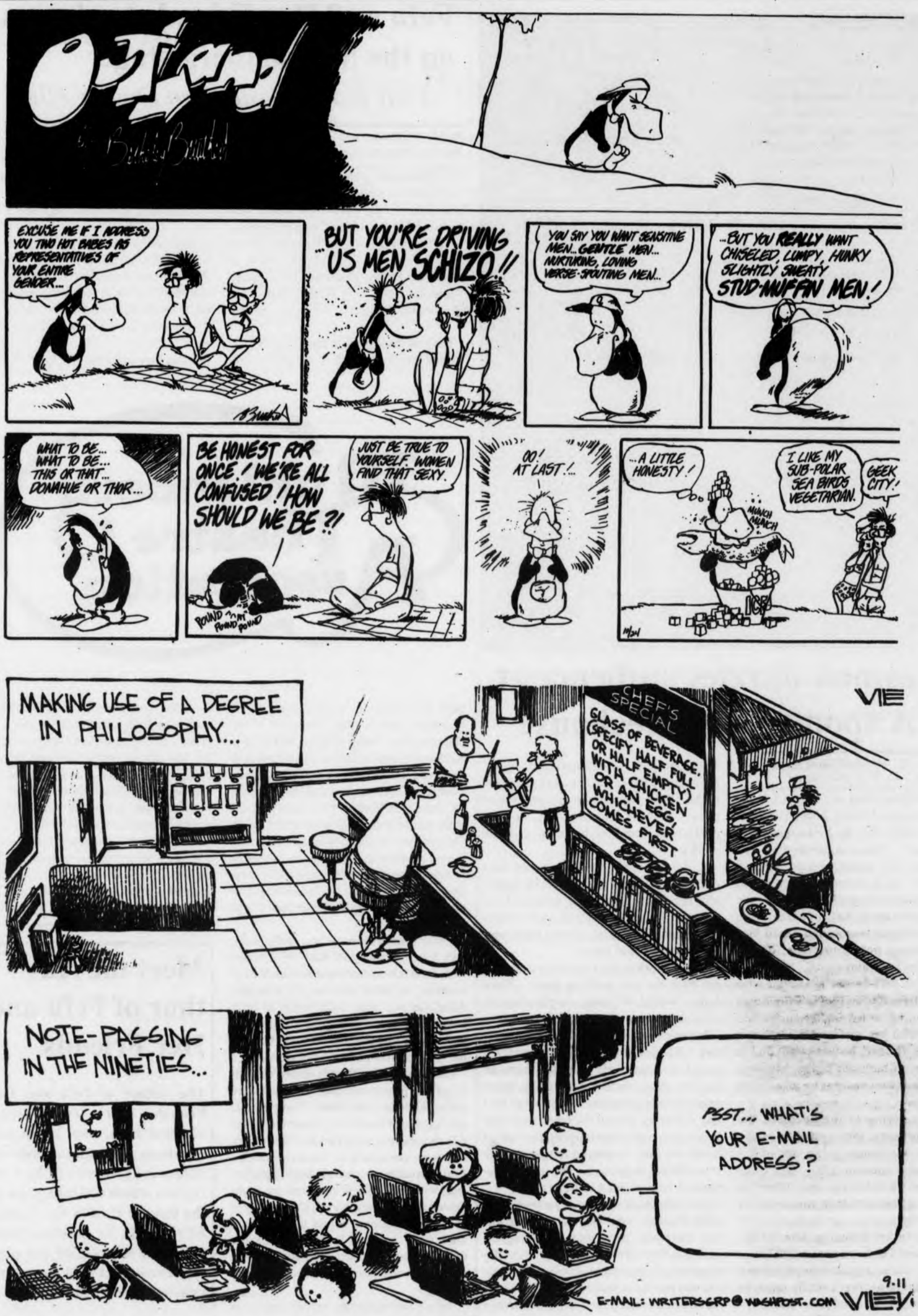
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O. J. verdict reflects on judicial system

An Outside Perspective

by Mark A. Koup

About a year ago I remember sitting in my room in Old Prosser Hall, surrounded by about ten friends who were waiting anxiously for the jury to deliver a verdict in the case of O.J. Simpson. We watched in disbelief as the foreman announced, "We the jury find Orenthal James Simpson not guilty....."

I couldn't conceive what happened. I was sure that with the quick deliberations of the jury, and the monumental evidence presented implicating Simpson, the verdict would be guilty. It's funny how an idealistic college student can be issued a reality check.

Today, about a year after the verdict, Americans are split. In fact, the verdict has become a racial issue to many people. Many African-Americans feel Simpson "Beat the system" that employed a racist officer who was trying to frame him. On the other hand, numerous white Americans blame a partial jury that was influenced by a charismatic team of defense lawyers and was persuaded to ignore concrete evidence.

I believe Simpson is guilty. It is no coincidence that his blood was found at the scene of the crime, or that the blood of both victims was found on his property. The blood trail leads to the murderer.

O.J. pleaded no contest to spouse abuse, and Los Angeles police were notified of several other occurrences. Simpson is also a known drug abuser. I find it ironic that O.J. speaks publicly against both drug and spouse abuse, especially since he is guilty of both. Not only is Simpson a double murderer, he is also a hypocrite.

Phase two of the Simpson legal saga begins now. O.J. is being named in a wrongful death suit by the families of Nicole Brown and Ronald Goldman. He will serve no jail time if convicted, but it is possible that Simpson will lose all of his property and assets. Not nearly the value of two human lives, but maybe a price that will cause O.J. some discomfort.

I will be shocked if the jury in the civil trial acquits Simpson. What little faith most Americans have in the legal system would be lost. A guilty verdict would probably restore some credence for the legal system in the court of public opinion.

I wonder if O.J. can look in a mirror and see an innocent man. Maybe he can. When I look at him, I see what wealth can do for anyone, even a double murderer.

OCDP to sponsor speaker

To the Muhlenberg community:

On Thursday, October 3, Muhlenberg College's Office of Career Development and Placement will be hosting a workshop featuring Don Asher, author of Graduate Admissions Essays: What Works, What Doesn't, and Why. "Bound for Graduate School? — Strategies to Gain Admissions to Highly Competitive Graduate Programs" is for all students interested in pursuing any type or post graduate education, and will make great essays, questions you should ask before applying, and how to develop an appropriate time-table for the application process.

Don Asher is a contributing writer for The Wall Street Journal's National Business Employment Weekly and Managing You Career magazines. Additionally, he serves as president of both Asher Associates and Resume Righters, firms that provide staffing transition assistance to corporations and one-on-one career coaching to executive clientele. An accomplished author, Don has also written books such as From College to Career and The Foolproof Job-Search Workbook.

Last year Don Asher gave a very dynamic, informative workshop that provided students from all academic areas with valuable tips concerning everything from researching schools, professors, and programs to writing the error-free essay. He began by prompting the audience to reveal any questions they might have about the application process, then proceeded to address all these points during his presentation. He stressed the importance of developing a time-line to research, take tests, correspond with faculty, and apply, as well as how to overcome any obstacles that might arise during this process.

The workshop will be held tonight at 7:00 PM, in SU 108-109. Remember, it's never too early to start thinking about life after Muhlenberg!

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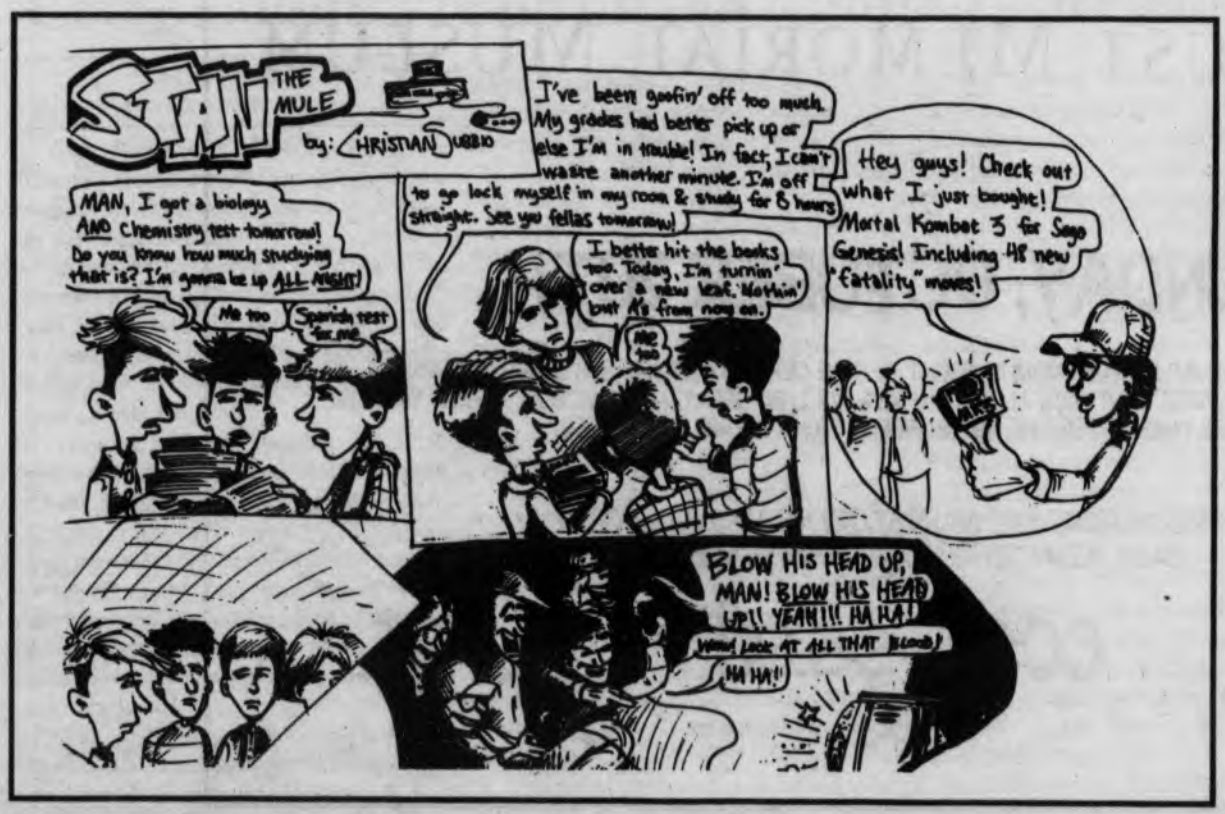
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Native American Exhibit Currently at Muhlenberg

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Muhlenberg College is hosting an exhibit of 50 photographic images of Native American women by photographer Edward Curtis which began on October 1. It will run until November 30 in the Frank Martin Gallery in the College's Center for the Arts.

The exhibition is titled, "Women of the Land: Images of North Americans" and is assembled from Muhlenberg College's collection of photographic prints, this exhibition surveys Curtis' images of native women from North American tribes including the Hopi, Mahove, Cheyenne, Santa Clara, and Taos.

In addition, a lecture series will accompany the exhibit on several topics.

With the support of Teddy Roosevelt and J.P. Morgan, Curtis began the task of traveling throughout North America documenting the life of Native Americans. This project continued from about 1900 to 1930 and consumed Curtis for most of his life. The resulting photographic prints, numbering nearly 1000, remain examples of the nature of Curtis" art.

The Frank Martin Gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. For more information please call 821-3466.

Quotes of the Week

"The human mind treats a new idea the way a body treats a strange protein; it rejects it."

"Freedom of speech shines when it is tested by the dark hands of control" -- Bong Jin Yang -- Korean Editor

"The advancement and diffusion of knowledge is the only guardian of true liberty" -- James Madison -- U.S. President

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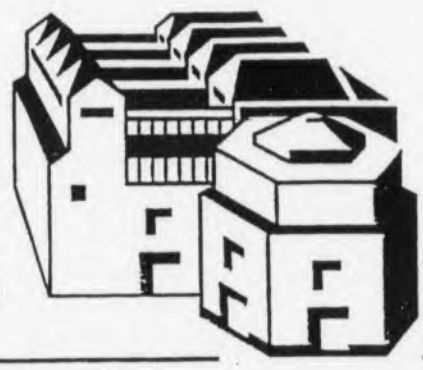

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Women's Soccer tops Dickinson 2-1

by Scott Burke
Weekly Sports Writer

The Women's Soccer team defeated Dickinson College two goals to one, on Tuesday, September 24.

This was an important win for Muhlenberg, coming against their big Centennial Conference rival, the Dickinson Red Devils.

The Mules continued to demonstrate their tough mental strength on the road by racking up another win in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

"We've got to run for 90 minutes," Coach Leslie Benintend said, "no matter where we play."

The field was treacherous. The rain-soaked ground and slick grass invited the players to turn their ankles, and caused the ball to take tricky bounces.

Though the ball at times seemed to have a mind of its own, fortunately there were no injuries to the players.

A mist hung over the turf, giving off an eerie feeling, setting the stage for a tremendous battle that would last for an hour and a half.

Dickinson came out fast and strong against Muhlenberg. With strong play from the Devil outside midfielders, Dickinson attacked and was quickly on the scoreboard.

Spotting Dickinson one goal, the Mules continued to play smart ball. Muhlenberg developed their scoring chances, continuing to press the Dickinson defense.

The equalizer came on a direct kick by junior Laurie Kennedy, who skillfully lofted the ball by the Dickinson netminder.

Dickinson was not about to roll over. They came back hard, but Muhlenberg matched their intensity. In the words of Head Coach Benintend, "Dickinson never gave up; they came out with everything they had, and we held our own."

As the first half closed, Muhlenberg was pressing deep into Devil territory. A Dickinson player knocked the ball past their end line, and Muhlenberg set up for a corner kick.

Laurie Kennedy positioned the ball in the corner. She checked that her team was ready, stepped back, and launched a perfect feed to the box.

Freshman Heather Dreby beat out the Dickinson defenders and headed the game-winner into the net.

This was Heather's first career goal wearing the Cardinal and Gray, and Laurie's first assist for the year.

The Red Devils tried to comeback in the second half, but the Mules refused them, and the score remained 2 to 1. Much credit was owed to Mule Goalkeeper Jackie Vanderstreet, a sophomore.

The six saves she made against Dickinson lowered her goals-against average to 1.33, ranking her as one of the top three keepers in the Centennial Conference.

On Thursday, September 26, the Mules were home again, hosting crosstown rival Moravian in a non-conference match.

Though Moravian is undefeated this season, and a top-ranked team in the Mid-Atlantic region, Muhlenberg gave them the same run for their money the Mules gave women's soccer giant Messiah last week.

Muhlenberg showed their defensive skills, blanking the Moravian Greyhounds deep into the second half.

Vanderstreet once again performed well in net, making tough saves in traffic. Muhlenberg midfielders Hilary Moses and Molly Kettlewell also had strong games.

Though Muhlenberg fought hard for the full 90 minutes, the Greyhounds scored a heartbreaker with 15 seconds left.

Through October, Muhlenberg will be playing all but one of their games against Centennial Conference opponents.

Given the early performances against the toughest competition the women's soccer team has played, the second half of the season should show good results.

Muhlenberg has matched national powers such as Skidmore, Goucher, and Messiah, and has made every game a contest. In October, the 'Berg will now battle for the Centennial Conference crown, and a confident Coach Benintend has called this, "a whole new season."

National Sports Update

Baseball Playoffs

- National League Champions
East Champs- Atlanta Braves
West Champs- San Diego Padres
Central Champs- St. Louis Cards
Wild Card- Los Angeles Dodgers

- American League Champions
East Champs- New York Yankees
West Champs- Texas Rangers
Central Champs- Cleviand Indians
Wild Card- Baltimore Orioles

- Contraversy erupted when Baltimore second baseman Roberto Alomar spit in the face of an umpire. The umpires voted unanimously to strike if Alomar was allowed to play in the playoffs and the situation remained unresolved at press time.

- San Francisco Giant Barry Bonds joined Jose Canseco as the only player to hit 40 home runs and steal 40 bases in a season.

- Brady Anderson hit his 50th home run this season for the Orioles becoming the 14th player to do so. This is the first time since Maris and Mantle in 1961 that two players have hit over 50 homers. (Mark McGwire hit 53 for the year)

- A federal jury ruled Mike Tyson must pay 4.4 million dollars to his former trainer Kevin Rooney for breaking a lifetime contract.

Cross Country team off to a running start with competitive finishes

by Scott Burke
Weekly Sports Writer

The 1996 Men's and Women's Cross Country teams are off to good starts this season, finishing competitively at all three of their meets thus far.

To prepare for this year, "We asked our runners to step up their summer training," said Head Coach for both the men's and women's teams, Linda Andrews, "and many came back to school in better shape than they've ever been."

Training typically includes, "40 to 50 miles a week of running," said Assistant Coach Welles Lobb, "much of it on challenging trails, with experienced athletes logging a weekly long run of up to 14 miles.

If you wonder why sightings of Mules afoot around campus are rare, that's because nearly all cross-country training takes place in various parks and preserves off campus."

The season opened at the Muhlenberg Invitational, held at Cedar Crest College, on a humid seventh of September.

The men finished second in a tight field. Junior Peter Dunlaevy, continuing his streak of leading the team every race, finished 5th, covering the nearly five mile course in 27:32. Junior James Batzell was 8th, posting a 28:08.

Senior co-captain Steve Smullin placed 10th with a 28:12. Josh McHale, a junior placed 14th with a 28:41, and freshman Mike Birkhoff rounded out the top five with a 15th place finish and a time of 28:46. John Rossini was named Runner of the Week.

The women also finished strong, grabbing third place honors, finishing only slightly behind Bryn Mawr.

Freshman Cindy Bredefelt ran a 21:36 over the women's three-mile-plus course, good enough for third.

Sophomore Sue VanRiper placed 6th with a 21:55, and freshman Elissa Murphy came in 9th at 22:30. Lauren Welsenberger, a freshman, placed 28th (24:36), and sophomore Lori Bennet came in 34th (24:59). Captain Sue Borek was named Runner of the Week.

The teams continued their success the next week at the Lebanon Valley Invitational. The men finished 13th in a hotly contested field of thirty.

Dunlaevy, Batzel, Smullin, McHale, and senior co-captain Tom Bailey comprised the top five whose finishes score in the team competition. Junior Frank Scholes was recognized as the Runner of the Week.

The women placed an impressive 9th in a field of 31 experienced teams. Van Riper was timed at 21:01, followed one second later by Bredefelt, just ahead of Murphy, 21:13.

Weisenberger, Women's Runner of the Week, placed next with a 22:38. Bennet ran a 23:51, and sophomore Jackie Miners crossed the finish line in 24:04.

On September 28, the Mules were back at Lebanon Valley College, at Memorial Lake park, this time for a four-team meet against LVC, Swarthmore, and Allentown.

Under a cloudy sky and balmy 78 degree temperature, a strong Swarthmore team took first-place honors for the men, and Allentown did for the women.

Both Muhlenberg teams competed well, the men ever at the heels of the Swarthmore runners; the women only a few steps behind Allentown.

Strong performances for the men included an 11th place finish for Runner of the Week Dunlaevy (28:44), a 14th place finish for Smullin(28:58), Batzel in 16th(29:04), McHale in 22nd(29:46), and freshman Aaron Bova, who finished 25th with a time of 30:06.

Individual finishes for the women included 8th place for Murphy, with a 21:41, Weisenberger in 17th(23:06), Van Riper, 18th, crossed three seconds later, Borek placed 25th (24:08), sophomore Kathy duFosse, the Runner of the Week, ran 31st (25:02), followed quickly by freshman Jennie Love(25:05) and sophomore Bennet (25:08).

"We are running a well as we can at this time," Coach Andrews said. "You are definitely going to see some improvement in October," referring to the Cross-Country team's invitations to meets at Connecticut College, Dickinson College, and the Centennial Conference Championship at the end of the month.

Football team drops to 0-3 with F&M loss

Injured Mules no match for powerful Diplomats as the 'Berg goes down 53-0

by C.J. Lenat
Weekly Sports Writer

The Muhlenberg College football team lost 53-0 Saturday to Franklin and Marshall College dropping their '96 season record to 0-3.

Once again the Mules were outgunned and overmatched as they played their third straight ranked opponent.

The Diplomat's defense stopped the Mules' offense time and again, and whenever it seemed as if the Muhlenberg offense were on a roll, it self destructed.

"We missed scoring opportunities," Head Coach Greg Olejack said, "We failed to capitalize."

After F&M fumbled, senior captain Dan Terpstra picked up the ball and returned it 28 yards to the Mules' 43 yard line.

But a Muhlenberg penalty and an F&M sack forced a punt.

Later in the first half Kenyamo McFarlane, a freshman wide receiver who is also a special teams standout blocked his second punt of the year giving the Mules the ball at midfield.

After two George Fosdick passes to Mike Kern and Brian Steele and an eight yard run by Cory Wohlbach the Mules had the ball at the Franklin and Marshall 15 yard line, but punter Frank Gripp, filling in for an injured Mark Magavero, missed a field goal.

Also late in the first half a Frank Gripp punt pushed the Diplomats deep in their own territory, and good Muhlenberg pass coverage forced a punt, giving the Mules the ball on the F&M 38.

But once again, Muhlenberg failed to capitalize on good field position as on the first play quarterback George Fosdick was hit from behind and fumbled, turning the ball over to F&M.

"The sack was a mistake in our offensive line," Coach Olejack said, "It was a mental error."

The Muhlenberg passing attack seemed a little off on Saturday, with two quarterbacks combining to complete only 10 of 29 passes attempted and throwing four interceptions.

"Our quarterback did have some time to throw," said Olejack, "but we have to hit the open receivers.

We have to do a better job, our performance was unsatisfactory."

For the second straight game the Mules offense tried to use the option in it's running arsenal.

This week it met with little results. "We used [the option] at Dickinson," Coach Olejack said, "but this week F&M did a good job defending it. But we are definitely not giving it up."

The Mules' defense played well in the first half, giving up three touchdowns but forcing an interception and a fumble and repeatedly stopping F&M, but the lack of offense kept the defense out on the field.

"We played sound defensively," Olejack said, "but in the second half we put the defense in between a rock and hard spot."

Junior cornerback Chris Patti made a diving interception in the end zone, and broke up another potential big-gain pass play.

Sophomore linebacker John Burke led the team with nine total tackles, with linebacker Justin Trackimas and tackle Jason Novak each contributing eight.

The Mules were once again hurt by injuries as starting placekicker and strong safety Mark Magevero was injured trying to intercept an F&M pass.

According to Coach Olejack, Magevero is cleared to kick this week, but is questionable for other duties.

Two superbacks, starter Matt Lunn and Mike Martino are both banged up, with ankle and hip injuries. That leaves only two superbacks, Chris Cannell and Cory Wohlbach, both of whom are "not allowed to get hurt," said Olejack.

Junior wide receiver and kick returner Steve Faella is still injured, and while he was supposed to return to active duty this week, a leg injury will again force him to sit out.

"We get guys off of the injured list, and more guys go on," said Olejack. "We need to get everyone healthy."

The Mules' next game is away on Saturday at Western Maryland.

Men's Soccer blanks Gettysburg

by Seth Leichter
Weekly Sports Reporter

This past Saturday, the men's soccer team had to battle the bad weather and the talented division rivals, Gettysburg.

The Mules topped the intrastate Gettysburg 2-0 raising their record to 6-2-1 on the year.

This was their second Centennial Conference match in as many games with the first game ending up in a 3-0 blanking of Dickinson.

These two victories have kept them atop of the Centennial Conference along with Hopkins boasting a 3-0 record.

The Mule offense was chock-full-of crosses that unfortunately missed their mark, but two of the crosses did reach their destination, the net.

On the first Muhlenberg tally, when junior Shane Topping sent a beautiful hooking cross from the corner that flew over the keeper's head to put the Mules up 1-0, and giving Topping a 4-0-8 with 3 game winning goals which lead the team.

Later, after a cross that ended up in a traffic jam in front of the net, junior Tim O'Donohue was able to slip the ball by the Gettysburg defense.

The Mule defense was the story on Saturday as goalie Jacob Schmidt lowers his goal against average to a minuscule 0.83 with the shutout. The Mule fullbacks played extremely well with Sean Topping, Michael Hamelton, Mike Schaffer, and Mike Finn keeping the door closed on the Gettysburg attack.

Coach Tipping commended two freshman, Steve Alberecht and Ron Russo for a solid performance at flanker.

Tipping was very pleased with the victory and with the amount of heart and desire displayed in the win.

Even though the bad weather slowed them down, Coach Tipping with too many missed opportunities and inconsistent play which he attributes to lack of concentration.

But the end result made it worthwhile in a big win.

The team travels to Franklin and Marshall tomorrow for another important conference match.

Tipping is optimistic, but would like to see less missed chances and more goals.

The coach concluded by saying, "When we put this all together, you are going to see some fireworks."

Junior outside hitter Lauren Buyyounouski broke two Mule Volleyball records last week. The first came when she set the school mark for digs in a five-game match with 35 against Dickinson last Wednesday. The second came in the Mules 3-2 loss against Western Maryland on Saturday. Buyyounouski had 30 kills in the five-game match breaking her own record of 28 set two years ago. The two-time Centennial Conference all-star now holds 11 school records and is only 73 kills away from breaking the all-time school record for career kills. (795)

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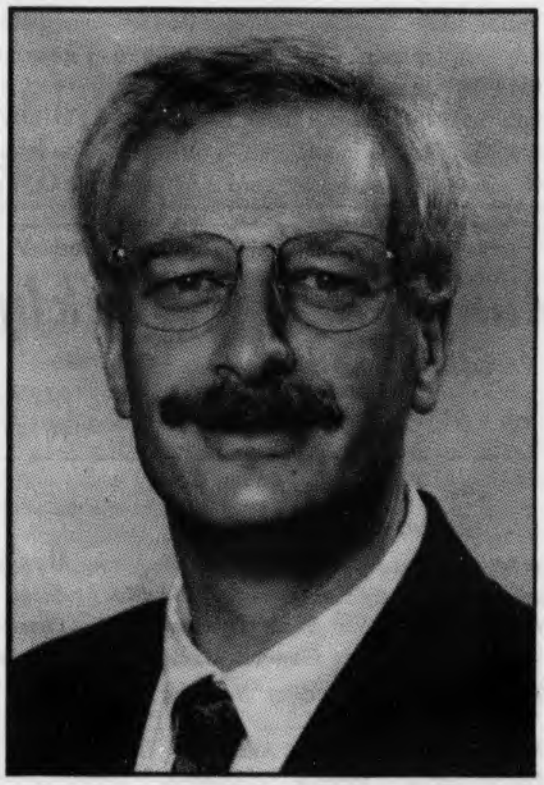
Serving the Muhlenberg Community Since 1885

New entrepreneur in residence appointed

story courtesy of Public Relations Office

President Arthur R. Taylor announced that Dr. Sandy B. Weinberg of Glen Mills has been named Entrepreneur in Residence at Muhlenberg.



Weinberg earned his Ph.D., in technical communications and information systems from the University of Michigan and holds a post doctoral fellowship in computer engineering from the University of Florida.

He has served as a professor of biomedical science at Drexel University, an associate dean of business at St. Joseph's University as well as dean of innovative educations at the University of Connecticut.

Ten years ago, Weinberg left the academic world, although he continued to serve as an adjunct professor of management information systems at Penn State University, to found a series of biomedical device companies. Weinberg has developed and patented algorithms, software products and devices for the testing of diagnostic systems; for the diagnosis and evaluation of AIDS blood testing; for air maintenance in Class Four biotechnology laboratory systems; for evaluation of sonograms and mammograms; and several addition systems.

He currently is a member of the board of KEMA, the Netherlands ISO Certifying Corporation; The Center for Pharmaceutical Education; and the Boy Scouts of America. He is a frequent consultant to the United States Food and Drug Administration; the United States Environmental Protection Agency; equivalent agencies in several other countries and to the pharmaceutical and medical device industries.

He is the author of more than a dozen books in the field of software and quality control, system validation and regulatory requirements and has written a variety of academic and industry articles, newsletters and speeches.

Weinberg earned his bachelor's in political science from Dickinson College and his master's in English from the University of North Carolina.

RIBBON project continues with Coffee and Fellowship session

by Denise Diorio
***Weekly* staff writer**

On Monday, October 7, the Coffee and Fellowship sponsored an event in the Red Door. The topic of discussion was the faith community' response to AIDS. Among the speakers for the day were Rabbi Jerry David and Muhlenberg alum, Ken Miller. Rabbi David spoke about how his congregation deals with the topic of AIDS.

Miller is a volunteer at his Lutheran church where they have different programs to help people that are inflicted with the disease. He spoke about what students can do to help. Both David and Miller emphasized that education was the most important element when trying to tackle such a serious disease.

Despite the disappointing turnout for the event, all who did attend agreed that the intimacy of the group was conducive to an informative group discussion. Carole Silvoy, the Assistant Chaplain, added that she felt the discussion's thesis was about putting "strong emphasis on the fact that action needs to be taken locally and on a personal level,".

This event was only one of many that the year long Muhlenberg RIBBON Project will sponsor. RIBBON stands for Remembering, Informing, Breaking Barriers, Outreach, Now. The program focuses on education and action in the fight against AIDS. A coalition of Departments (Hillel, Chapel, Student Activities, Seegers Union, Community Service, Student Health Services, Counseling and Development, Housing and Residence Life, Greek Affairs and the Deans of the College) make up the RIBBON Project, and will sponsor a host of activities to include everyone on campus.

On Friday, October 11 twenty-five Muhlenberg students, along with Carole Silvoy, Don King, and Patti Mittleman will travel to Washington, D.C. to spend four days at the Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt. They will be staying at Trinity College and the Wood Food Service has generously donated all their meals. While they are in Washington they will be attending a Lutheran College brunch. On Saturday the students will be responsible for monitoring the quilt and directing visitors to various displays. They will also have a Shabbat dinner. To end their trip, the group will attend a candlelight vigil and interfaith worship.

The next event of the project will be held on October 21 at 3:15p.m. in the Red Door Cafe. That evening at 6:30p.m. in the Recital Hall, the movie "The Cure" will be shown. The theme is pediatric AIDS and the film is about a young boy who has been diagnosed with having AIDS. For anyone who is interested in hearing about the trip to Washington, D.C., there will be a discussion held on November 4. Another date to put on your calendar, about which you will hear more soon, is the World AIDS Day. On December 2, the Muhlenberg campus will observe the World AIDS Day. There will be a healing service held in the Chapel and a guest speaker. The guest speaker is Scott Fried who is an actor on the popular soap opera Guiding Light. Fried plays a character with AIDS and has the virus in real life.

There are many other educational and social events that the coalition has planned. For more information, call Carole Silvoy at extension 3121.

Irish author speaks for Muhlenberg Writers

by Alice Chumard
***Weekly* staff writer**

Speaking to an audience of nearly forty, Irish Writer and Colgate visiting professor, John McGahern was warmly received at Muhlenberg's Egner chapel Monday night. Intensely popular in Ireland with his novels The Dark and Amongst Women, he has been called, "The best Irish Writer of our time since James Joyce," by the New York Times Book Review. Reading excerpts from his 1990 novel, Amongst Women, McGahern entertained his audience with his witty, unpredictable characters. Utilizing "senance", McGahern showed how people have to live in disguise.

Student response was favorable. Said Irish Drama student Tim Campbell, being 86% Irish himself, "I have been pleased with the Muhlenberg Writer's agenda. John McGahern seemed to really appeal to the audience in attendance. I hope we are able to attract such award winning writers in the future." Senior Sue VanBlarcom agreed. "I was pleased to see such a turnout. Being of German and Irish descent herself, Sue has become quite a fan of Irish literature. "It's important that I support my culture. Reading John McGahern has made me feel closer to my Irish roots."

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News Digest

compiled by Alice Chumard

A former Los Angeles detective pleaded no contest to perjury for denying under oath at O.J. Simpson's double-murder trial that he had used a racist slur over the past decade. Mark Fuhrman was given three year's probation and fined $200.

A former Bulgarian leader was killed outside his home in Sofia. Andrei Lukanov, 58, a businessman who became Bulgaria's first post-Communist prime minister in 1990, was shot twice in the head by an unknown assailant.

Yeltsin delivered a six minute radio address aimed at reassuring Russian citizens that he is still in charge. "This country has a president and he is a working president."

The mortality rate declined 6% for white women between 1989 and 1992, but increased 3% among blacks, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said. Breast cancer remained the second largest cause of death among women, after lung cancer, officials said.

The Noble Prize in literature was won by Wislawa Szymborski of Poland for her poetry. The Swedish Academy cited the 73 year old writer's "esprit, inventiveness and empathy" in her poems, likening her to the "Mozart of Poetry."

Texaco, Shell and Aramco confirmed they are in talks to merge their downstream operations. The discussions spotlight the difficulty refiners are having making money even when gasoline prices are strong.

A federal judge sentenced a Palestinian man to life in prison for a hijacking that left 60 people dead at an airport in Malta 11 years ago. The judge also ordered Omar Mohammed Ali Rezaq to pay $264,000 in restitution to some of the victims or their families.

Two bombs rocked Britain's army headquarters in Northern Ireland, injuring 20 soldiers and 11 civilian workers. Army officials in the town of Lisburn said a car bomb exploded in a parking lot, followed by a blast near a medical facility.

Russian Interior Minister Kulikov lashed out at national security chief Lebed, accusing him of lying about the death toll in the war in Chechnya.

The U.S. urged North Korea to free an American citizen who is being held on espionage charges, and a State Department official denied that Evan Carl Hunzike was a spy. The South Korean government said it believed Hunzike was actually a missionary working in the northeastern part of China. He was arrested on August 24.

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Art Gallery show celebrates Native American Culture

by Heather Schomp
***Weekly* staff writer**

The Martin Art Gallery currently exhibits Women of the Land: Images of Native Americans by Edward Curtis, through November 30th. Forty-four large sepia-toned photogravures of Native American women in traditional costume and in intimate portraits were selected from Muhlenberg College's art collection for the exhibition. The Hopi, Cheyenne, Zuni, Santa Clara, and the Tewa represent some of the photographed tribes which now accompany the avocado colored gallery walls. This exhibition is compiled from the complete set of Curtis' The North American Indian, originally belonging to General Harry C. Trexler of Allentown.

In 1896, Edward S. Curtis was driven by an irresistible passion to document the 'vanishing race' of the Northern Native American through the medium of photography and supplementary text. Overwhelmed by the unforeseen enormity of this task, Curtis had exhausted his financial resources early during the course of the project. President Theodore Roosevelt, an admirer of Curtis' work, introduced the ambitious photographer to J. P. Morgan, a wealthy investment banker and patron of the fine arts. In 1906, Morgan agreed to generously support Curtis' exceptional effort. After thirty years of selfless devotion resulting in over 40,000 negatives, Edward Curtis had recorded over eighty different North American tribes.

Between 1907 and 1930, only 272 of the intended 500 complete sets of The North American Indian were actually published. Muhlenberg College's complete set is numbered 135. A full set includes twenty volumes of text and twenty portfolios. Each volume of the text, bound in irregularly grained morocco leather and printed on hand-made paper, includes small photogravure prints, assorted diagrams, and additional information specific to the tribal names listed on the spine. 723 large format copperplate photogravures, measuring 12 X 16 inches on 18 X 22 inch leaves of special paper, are segregated by portfolio according to a corresponding volume of text. Forty-four of the large format sepia-toned photogravures, illustrating women, and two volumes of text are displayed in the Martin Art Gallery.

Edward S. Curtis worked within

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Campus Safety Notes

9/30/96 - Injured student - Brown
10/1/96 - Medical Transport - Memorial Hall
10/1/96 - Harassment by communication - Walz
10/1/96 - Controlled substance - Prosser - possession and sale
10/3/96 - Animal complaint - 407 N. 23rd Street - violation of pet policy
10/3/96 - Criminal mischief - 26th and Gordon Streets - smashed beer bottles
10/4/96 - Vandalism - 23rd and Gordon lot - "Sticker Parking Only" sign missing
10/4/96 - Vandalism - Seeger's - bike racks pulled from ground
10/4/96 - Malicious mischief - ML -South doors - key card wiring tampered
10/5/96 - Alcohol violation possession of drug paraphernalia - East - unregistered guest
10/6/96 - Alcohol violation - Benfer - unregistered party
10/6/96 - Fire safety violation - Benfer
10/6/96 - Fire alarm - Walz
10/6/96 - Vandalism - Prosser - smashed fire extinguisher glass

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Last Man Standing not worth the price of the ticket

by Erik Cautin
Magazine writer

Walter Hill's inspiration is Akira Kurosawa's samurai classic Yojimbo (1961), in which Toshiro Mifune was a lone warrior playing both ends against the middle in a gang war. Last Man Standing places John Smith (Bruce Willis) in a Western town, with Tommy-gun wielding mobsters in three-piece suits on the dusty streets of a town called Jericho.

Smith, a newcomer to the tiny Texas town near the Mexico border has now become the battle-ground for two gangs from Chicago, one Irish and the other Italian. The town is abandoned by all honest citizens, and the gangs control the prosperous flow of liquor bottled in Mexico and sold in the States.

Willis' John Smith spends most of his time with his eyes squinted, lips pursed and only saying short choice phrases, that seem to have an impact on the "thugs" of each gang. Smith sees a chance to make a killing in this highly competitive market as a gun for hire, and he exploits each gang to the fullest extent.

Before taking my seat with popcorn and soda in hand I knew that Willis' character would indeed be the last man standing, one hour and forty minutes later with over 30 dead, John Smith was the last manstanding!

I personally thought that Hill should have chosen between a western or a gangster movie, either way this movie was filled with bullets, dead bodies and one happy undertaker. My suggestion, Wiillis can place this on his mantle with his other failed films, such-as Blind Date, Hudson Hawk and The Color of Night. Do not waste your time and money on this film, it was just not worth the $6.50!

Enjoy your fall break, and look for my review on The Long Kiss Goodnight starring Gena Davis and Samuel L. Jackson in the next issue of the Weekly!

Extreme Measures stimulates the watcher to think about morals

by Erik Cautin
Magazine writer

Director Michael Apted's Extreme Measures is a captivation mystery that combines the high drama in the operating room with mystery and the exposure of some highly moral issues wonderfully.

Hugh Grant takes the role of Dr. Guy Luthan, a stubborn young doctor who puts principle above his hospital's bottom-line priorities. This role strays from Grant's more recent screen comedies, such as Four Weddings and a Funeral, and Nine Months, and shows that Grant can handle himself quite admirably in a "serious" role.

Extreme Measures sheds light on the sad but true fact that homeless people in the world who go missing will all too often not be missed by society, only by their companions on the street. Dr. Luthan stumbles upon an alarming rash of suspicious disappearances, when he first looses a patient, and the hospital morgue "lost" the body, the deceased also happens to be a homeless person.

The stage is now set for the scheme to pluck the homeless subjects from New York's subways and alleys to be used as human guinea pigs. Luthan's persistence to determine why these people are disappearing leads him down many dead ends, and ultimately he is framed for drug possession and he is fired from the hospital.

Away from the hustle and bustle of the emergency room an institute run by Dr. Lawrence Myrick (Gene Hackman), is doing breakthrough work on the treatment of paraplegics. This is where the guinea pigs are being taken, to be used as test subjects in Hackman's plight to curing paralysis. The clash of the two doctors is inevitable, and Luthan's determined curiosity ultimately leads him right into Dr. Myrick's treatment center where Luthan comes face to face with Dr. Myrick and his unethical ways.

The movie was quite entertaining, it made me think about some highly complex moral issues, and are we just spinning our wheels doing research on rats and mice? I was pleased to see that Apted's movie shed some light on some problems that usually get lost in the shuffle.

I strongly recommend that you see this movie over the fall break, but if you do not feel like running out to the movies this is definitely one to rent, you will not be disappointed!

If you are intersting in writing for the Weekly, call Heather at x4327. Writers are needed for all sections so get involved!!!!

Display of artist Curtis' The North American Indian in gallery

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framework of the popular movement in photography known as Pictorialism. Originating from the style referred to as Naturalism by British photographer Peter Henry Emerson, Pictorialism embraced many of the same artistic effects of Impressionist painting.

Like other pictorialist photographers, Curtis deliberately minimized extraneous details ordinarily captured by an indiscriminate lens, and embraced subtle transitions in tones which soften forms. In other words, he simplified composition while emphasizing a sensitivity to the tonal range of a softly-focused subject. Rocky cliffs, fur clothing, or other textures appear slightly blurry in response to Curtis' slightly misty light, which both romanticizes and idealizes his beautiful prints. The exhibition, Women of the Land, captures the manner in which Curtis' pictorial images perpetuate the mythic nature of the Native American woman.

Edward S. Curtis acknowledged the psychological diversity among different tribes of Native Americans. Photogravures selected for this exhibit emphasize the photographer's obsession with discrete personalities and emotions as reflected within the eyes of carefully chosen sitters.

Curtis' photographic sensibilities highlight the innocence and sadness which emanates from the moist doe-like eyes of the Mosa-Mohave Girl (plate 81, 1903). We witness perpetual exhaustion as revealed through the dust laden eyelashes of the listless and cloudy-eyed Tewa Girl (plate 402, 1921). We fear the confrontational disposition presented by the slightly pursed lips, puffy cheeks and fierce eyes which pierce out from behind the dense bangs of the Povi-Tamu (plate 581, 1925). Although the photographs of the Native American women cannot speak with words, Curtis has captured their visual sentiments which can be immediately felt.

A tour, reception, and series of informative lectures, all of which will last from 4-5 p.m., are arranged in conjunction with the exhibition in the Martin Art Gallery. On October 30th, a tour of the exhibition and reception will be given by Dr. Lori Verderame, the new Director of the Martin Art Gallery.

The series of lectures includes Dr. Mary Lawlor of the English Department ("Curtis and the Vanishing Indian" on November 6), Dr. William Abruzzi of the Anthropology Department ("Stereotyping American Indians: An Anthropological Perspective" on November 13), and Dr. Jadviga da Costa Nunes, of the Art Department, ("Curtis' Pictorial Predecessors" on November 20).

Women of the Land is the first show of the academic year. The Martin Art Gallery, located within the Baker Center for the Arts, is now open Tuesdays through Sunday from 12-5 p.m. and closed Mondays. If you should have any questions concerning the exhibit, please feel free to call (610) 821-3466.

News of the Weird

courtesy of Universal Press Syndicate

Lead Stories

Number One in the News: Near Stigtomta, Sweden, about 2,000 environmentalists protested by mass outdoor urination to draw attention to the dying ecosystem of Halbo Lake. And the UPPU Club was forced to cancel its five-year meeting this year in Los Alamos, N.M., because of cutbacks in government funding. The club consists of soldiers who were exposed to plutonium in the 1940's and who continue to have their bodily functions studied by researchers. The name of the club tells what one must do to be a member ("pu" being the symbol for plutonium).

Construction worker Thomas W. Passmore, 32, filed a lawsuit for $3.35 million against Sentara Norfolk (VA) General Hospital and four doctors over the loss of his hand. Passmore admits to having cut off the hand because he believed it to be possessed by the devil and to having refused twice to allow doctors to reattach it. However, he claims the hospital was negligent in not asking his family to overrule his poor decision.

Valentin Grimaldo, 40, who was bitten by a poisonous coral snake near Enciño, Texas, survived by biting the snake's head off, slitting its body lengthwise, and using the skin for a tourniquet until help arrived.

New Rights

Wheelchair user Judith Brand filed a lawsuit against the College of Marin in San Rafael, Calif., claiming that the school failed to accommodate her adequately in a dance class she took last year.

The Tufts University student senate recently cut $600 from the budget of the school's Chinese Culture Club, reported columnist George Will, but the club's treasurer, Carol Wan, called the cuts a kind of racism. Because part of the cut affected Chinese take-out food that had been ordered for the club's Chinese New Year observance. Wan said the cut "questioned the authenticity of take-out food as part of our culture."

In Ogden, Utah, a self-described "ugly" person, Lynn Romer, recently formed The Pinocchio Plot, a support group to combat "look-ism."

In May, a court in Sweden rejected an appeal by Elisabeth Hallin and her husband, who had been fined about $1,000 for giving their son an unauthorized name. The 5-year-old is called Albin, but his formal name consists of 38 consonants followed by five numbers a name Hallin said is "a pregnant, expressionistic development that we see as an artistic creation."

Massachusetts prison inmate Anthony Jackson, serving three life sentences for three murders, won a procedural motion on appeal, thus keeping alive his lawsuit against the prison system for refusing to assign him to a no-smoking cell.

The Disability Rights Center in Concord, N.H., filed a legal brief supporting the appeal of Joel Frost, who was convicted of raping a mentally retarded woman. At his trial, Forest tried to prove that the woman

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was capable of giving consent to sex, but state law prohibits that, and the center supports Frost in his claim that the law discriminates against the mentally retarded by assuming they all lack the ability to decide whether to have sex.

Latest Religious Messages

Carlos Santiago was arrested in San Francisco, Calif., in May and charged with assault. Police said he stabbed his wife more than a dozen times because she refused his orders to read the Bible.

Members of the First Congregational Church in Akron, Ohio, voted in May to eject squatter Jim Dunn, who had been living in a cardboard tent in the church's front yard for a year, bathing only periodically, claiming that that's where God told him to live. Dunn rejected offers of better conditions and a clean sleeping bag because the offers did not come

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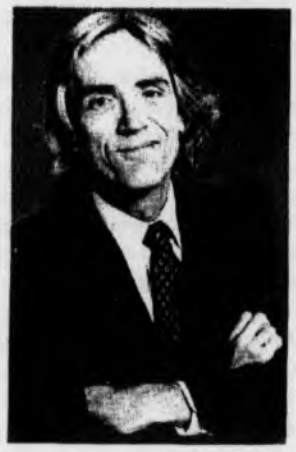

The best of the bizarre-but-true news from around the world, edited by Chuck Shepherd.

Proof that true stories are weirder than made-up stories.

form God.

In a Reuters news service feature on spiritual-themed books, author Neale Donald Walsch described how he created his best seller, "Conversations With God." Walsch said he wrote questions on a legal pad and then heard God giving the answers, which Walsch also wrote down. "It felt like someone was just whispering in my ear," he said. Asked why God chose him to give the answers to, Walsch said, "If someone such as me can receive this kind of information...then all of us are worthy."

The Reverend Jim Dillon started the Church of Kurt Cobain in Portland, Ore., honoring the late singer-songwriter and challenging parishioners , MTV and rock radio stations to fight drug abuse and suicide. Dillon said his sermons are based on Nirvana songs.

Least Competent Person

Police in Guilford, Vt., said in May that they would probably file criminal charges against Stephen Kodash of Waterbury, Conn. They said that Kodash had a flat tire on Interstate 91, and instead of pulling onto the shoulder, he merely left his car parked in the passing lane while he walked to a nearby rest area to call for help. As might be predicted, another vehicle smashed in Kodash's, destroying both (but the driver was not seriously hurt.)

The Weirdo-American Community

Nevada County judicial candidate Robert Litchfield, attempting to rectify his low standing among local lawyers, offered to kneel and wash the feet of any lawyer in the county as a gesture of his desire to serve them. Said Litchfield, "What I offered was an act of faith, and I don't think that's something a news reporter can understand." At the scheduled washing, Litchfield showed up with a basin and towel, but no lawyers came forth.

Consult the Mule...

Your *Weekly* Hososcope

by Jennifer Zwirn and Sherry Lynn Fazio
Weekly Columnists

Aries (3/21-4/19) Well well well, Aries! So life has been just a little bit hard on you lately. It's kind of like a miniature pay-back period from things you did and choices you made earlier in the semester. However, just like everything else in life, you must deal with the choices you have made. You've never been one to quit things - and now is not the tike to start. Just remember that you have to deal with the rain before you see a rainbow. The rewards in the end will definitely outshine all the puddles you had to jump through in order to get there.

Taurus (4/20-5/20) Okay, so things may not always go your way. And you know you cannot have the best of both worlds, Taurus. As nice as it may be to have your cake and eat it too, you need to decide exactly what you want. Until you choose to do this, just lay low. Sometimes it's nice to sit back and let things happen. So why not just do that? Everything you've been worrying about will fall into place...it's just a matter of when.

Gemini (5/21-6/20) Hey Gemini - so you seem to be in quite high demand lately. You've always been quite lovable, but recently you confidence has skyrocketed. Go you - enjoy it! But seriously, nothing lasts forever and you should try to appreciate what you have and be grateful for the things you are blessed with right now. It's important to never take anything for granted - so have fun while it lasts, but make sure you know what you have while you have it.

Cancer (6/21-7/22) Having fun, Cancer? Let's hope so, considering you've been on the go 24-7! Just be sure not to get a big head about things. It's great to be busy and all but let's remember that friends want you around too. So if you get some free time in between classes and clubs, give them a call and see what's up. When your schedule finally comes to a halt, you'll still expect to be included and know what's been happening!

Leo (7/23-8/22) Um...Leo...you're just a tad bit confident these days, aren't you?! Hey - don't flatter yourself!! It's great to feel sure of what you're doing but if you let it get too far you might end up looking silly and people won't take you seriously. Things aren't always exactly as you perceive them to be. Try looking at the other points of view. Regardless of all this, everything comes in good time. If something is meant to happen, it will, but good things some to those who wait patiently.

Virgo (8/23-9/22) Hey Virgo - have you been bored lately? You seem to be prying around in lots of business that is absolutely no concern of yours. Perhaps you should take an interest in you school work or something fun. You are creating problems in your life which could be avoided completely, if you would keep your irrelevant opinions to yourself. You'll be surprised how much easier things can be with this outlook.

Libra (9/23-10/22) Hey Libra did you forget the meaning of self-respect? You seem to be jumping from person to person lately. This may provide you with a lot of pleasure, however have you ever stopped to consider the fact that other people have feelings too? You're a very likable person and if you want to stay that way, you shouldn't take advantage of this. It's great to be sure of yourself, but keep in mind that others may view this as a bit conceited.

Scorpio (10/23-11/21) You've been a bit jealous of something lately, whether you want to admit it or not. Don't ya think it's time to get over this? Well, we're here to tell you, of course it is! You've got so many other things going on right now, you really should quit focusing on this. And what about your friends? They're getting a tad perturbed with you attitude lately. Get over yourself and beam back down to Earth with the rest of us.

Sagittarius (11/22-12/21) Hey Sag, have you been hiding under a rock lately? Some people are beginning to think you transferred. You are such a great person and all your friends are really starting to miss seeing you around. They realize you are busy but a phone call now and then wouldn't hurt anyone, Sag. Let them know that you're busy but you still care about 'em and they'll be sure to cut you some slack.

Capricorn (12/22-1/19) Seems like you've been way into your books lately, Cap. Of course we're here to study but before you know it, your College experience will be over and the only thing you'll remember will be those killer study sessions you had all alone. Sure once you graduate you'll have a great future ahead of you but who will you be able to share it with? Let's not forget that college is a place to meet wonderful people that may just become your friends for life. Our suggestion, why not hit the books with a study buddy?

Aquarius (1/20-2/18) Wake up! You've been drifting off to sleep lately in class - not exactly a smart move, Aquarius! Good thing for you that Fall Break is on its way! You need a few days to relax and unwind...perhaps you need a little home cooking too. You'll have the next few days to catch up on sleep and quality time with yourself. Lay down and listen to some music or read a book or just close your eyes and let your mind wander. You might be thinking that there's something wrong with you but don't worry about anything...you just need time to relax.

Pisces (2/19-3/20) You've been down and out lately. Seems likely you're weighing the pros and cons of something big in your life. Well, Pisces, whatever it is, don't think you're abnormal for being a bit confused. It's totally all right to question things now and then. Just be sure you don't do anything too hasty. Think these things through and remember you've got a lot to offer. It's ok to be a little emotional now and then - just remember that when you need to vent to others, they'll all be around to hear you out.

If it's your birthday this week: You tend to be witty but very sensitive as well. Loosen up a bit - people often think you're too serious about life. Remember we're all here to enjoy ourselves, so why aren't you? Let your hair down and concentrate on some things other than your studies. Try joining a club you'd enjoy and give yourself a chance to meet some new pals. After this, you'll wish you had done it sooner.

Soul Clown continues to rise in popularity

by Jillian Lovejoy
Magazine writer

The music of Soul Clown filled the Red Door from 10pm until 2am last Saturday night. The group, composed entirely of Muhlenberg students, impressed the audience with their jazz-rock style.

Judging from the crowd that gathered at the Red Door, it is evident that Soul Clown has quite a following on campus.

Whether performing their original works, playing covers, or simply jamming, Soul Clown proves their excellent musicianship with every chord they play.

"Soul Clown's music is really easy to get into. I didn't stay for the whole concert, though I definitely wish I had heard more. I can't wait to buy their CD," said Amy Medalie, Class of '00.

Harmonies in both the vocal and instrumental lines add depth to their sound, making them even more enjoyable to listen to. The music of Soul Clown abounds with intricate guitar and saxophone rifts, and booming percussion that keeps the intense beat.

Band members appear to enjoy performing for their fellow classmates; they are obviously comfortable in the spotlight.

For the first few songs, the audience was more subdued, but as it grew later and more people arrived, the students became a more active audience, many dancing near the stage.

"You could tell that they really wanted to get the crowd into their music. They're excellent musicians, and the effort that they made to draw in their listeners made them even more likely," said Jennifer Benedict "00.

Listening to the music of Soul Clown last Saturday proved to be a welcome break from the usual weekend activities for many Muhlenberg students.

Soul Clown performs yet again for a packed Muhlenberg audience. The group has grown in popularity steadily and now has a CD for sale. Amy Medalie 'oo said, "Soul Clown's music is really easy to get into. I didn't stay for the whole concert, though I definitely wish I had heard more. I can't wait to buy their CD." Soul Clown will be playing at Muhlenberg again on Friday, October 25 for as part of the Homecoming Weekend celebration. Be sure to come out and enjoy their music.

Open Mic Night fun for all

by Heather Marko
Magazine writer

Although the Red Door was far from packed during last Friday's Open Mic Night, an absence of large crowds did not signify the absence of fun. A modest group of about twenty made up in talent and enthusiasm what it lacked in numbers.

Hosted by Jason Motley '97 who donned a tux for the occasion, the show included a wide variety of acts. Impromptu performances were the majority, with audience members being coaxed by friends to get up on stage. An unsuspecting Rob Zeida '00 walked into the Red Door in the middle of the show and was besieged by requests for a song. He finally performed a vastly entertaining rendition of Tom Jones' "It's Not Unusual" to the great delight of many audience members.

It took more than mere requests to put some acts on stage. Bribery finally brought Elmer Moore '99 to the mic. When told that he would be given free food for performing, Moore quickly sat down and sand "When You Wish Upon A Star".

Between acts, jokes proved popular as fillers. John Mendoza, brother of Victor Mendoza '98, had a vast repertoire of true stories, most of which brought noisy laughter from the small crowd. Motley, claiming Letterman-like ambitions, chose to make a prank call to those working behind the counter. All were amused to see the prank's success in causing brief confusion.

Later, the Mendoza brothers teamed up to present several songs, with John on guitar and Victor singing. They were not alone as Adam Matyseck '99, along with quite a few others, also spent time on the guitar, playing and singing original songs. The acts were all well received.

The lack of attendance actually provided a conversation topic as Motley joked, "I think Muhlenberg's scared of Open Mic Night." The subject of the free video games next door in the arcade came up during several of the pauses between acts as students darted back and forth between the two activities.

For those who stayed in the Red Door, the attendance was no problem. In fact, the absence of a large number of people made the show more intimate and encouraged audience interaction. A clearly entertained Ashley Kistler '00 said that "Open Mic Night wasn't that well attended, but will was still fun!"

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Recent studies show consumers may not use condoms consistently or correctly. Illustrations often help to clarify information. Here are some suggestions for using the above illustration to help people understand how condoms can prevent the sexual transmission of HIV and other STDs.

- You could use this illustration to round out stories or articles in local newsletters, magazines, public health journals and other publications that target young people and/or address HIV/AIDS prevention and education.
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That night Stan would have a bittersweet realization.

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OH, BOTHER. BEAVIS AND BUTT-HEAD JUST ROASTED PIGLET.

Men's soccer eyes playoffs as goal but suffers in 1-0 loss to Hopkins

by Seth Leichter
Weekly Sports Writer

Last Wednesday, the men's Muhlenberg soccer team traveled to arch rival, Franklin and Marshall for intradivision match.

Coming off of two big Centennial Conference wins against Dickinson 3-0, and Gettysburg 2-0, Coach Tipping was optimistic that the team would pull together and make some fireworks in their quest for a playoff spot.

The Mules had many chances to score in the first half but could not.

Coach Tipping said that the score could have easily been 5-0.

He is concerned that this recent tendency of missed opportunities is becoming a habit and may cost them dearly down the line.

Although the Mule offense was sputtering, they managed one tally by freshman Ron Russo (1-0-2) who is playing very well of late after the season ending injury to junior Brian Krug (2-0-4).

This past Saturday, the Mules traveled to Maryland to face Johns Hopkins, who shares the lead in the Centennial Conference.

Johns Hopkins playing surface is narrow heavily crowned Astroturf.

In other words, the surface is higher in the middle than it is by the sidelines.

This type of surface makes luck a major factor in the way the ball bounces.

Coach Tipping was happy with the team's preparation for this game.

The team suffered an early setback when captain Mike Schaffer(1-1-3) tried to clear the ball, but unfortunately it found its way into the rear end of junior Todd Ervin's(4-1-9) and then caromed into the net giving Hopkins a 1-0 lead.

The Mule attack had many chances this game as well and had trouble converting.

One near miss saw junior Eric Hohman's(2-0-4) shot hit the head of a Hopkins defender and knocked him unconscious, and then proceeded to go wide of the net.

The Mules never could crack the Hopkins defense and settled for a 1-0 shutout and their third loss of the season.

This brings their record to 7-3-1 overall. Muhlenberg is ranked third in the region and twentieth in the nation.

On Wednesday October 16, the Mules return home to play Messiah. Messiah features two lethal center forwards.

Coach Tipping commented that if they take advantage of the next few games they won't have any problem making the playoffs.

Weekly editorial writer tackles Roberto Alomar issue

An Outside Perspective
by Mark A. Koup

This has been an interesting month for Roberto Alomar. He is the baseball player who spit in the face of umpire John Hirschbeck, insulted the death of the man's young son, and was subsequently fined and suspended effective next baseball season. Following these events, Alomar won the playoff series for his Orioles with a home run in extra innings.

His heroism in that game will be far overshadowed by his atrocious and dehumanizing attack on Hirschbeck.

I feel that Alomar should miss the rest of the plyoffs and be fined substantially more than the paltry $200 has was assessed. He has set an example of pious egoism and distasteful mannerisms for children who emulate him as their hero.

Major League Baseball, ever mindful of its image, essentially slapped Alomar on the wrist.

Money obviously dictated their decision; when Alomar plays, more revenue is collected. It is a travesty that he is permitted to continue playing.

Roberto Alomar has been called the Michael Jordan of baseball. He is a fantastic talent, a standout offensively and defensively on the baseball diamond, as well as a future member of the Hall of Fame.

His teammate, Cal Ripken Jr., called him one of the nicest players in baseball. Ripken couldn't believe Alomar behaved in the fashion he did.

It isn't hard to understand Ripken's feelings. Cal is a person of unparalled integrity, and expects the same from everyone else.

He is an example for everyone to follow. Maybe Alomar should take a cue from him.

Umpire Hirschbeck has since forgiven Alomar for his outburst.

It takes a man of tremendous character to pardon an act such as Alomar's. Perhaps if Major League Baseball had the ability to separate revenue from appropriate action, Alomar would have been levied the punishment he deserved.

Alomar's reputation is damaged for the rest of his playing days. He will always be labeled the man who spit in the face of an umpire. That will have more of an impact on him than any fine or suspension.

It is amazing how an act of mindless rage can define a person. Unfortunately for Alomar, it has happened to him.

Men's Intramural Soccer Report

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Terror-ized Mules fall to Western Maryland

Football team loses its fourth straight game 27-14

by C.J. Lenat
Weekly Sports Writer

Muhlenberg college lost its fourth straight football game Saturday to the Western Maryland Green Terror by the score of 27-14.

Once again the beat-up Mules were outgunned offensively and overmatched defensively.

With starting quarterback George Fosdick out with a neck injury sustained Tuesday in practice, backup Howie Pollard started for the Mules.

Pollard threw for 217 yards, but he only completed 14 of 40 passes attempted and threw three costly interceptions.

"We need to improve," Head Coach Greg Olejack said, "We throw too many interceptions. We need to throw deep more to get the big-gain play."

While the Muhlenberg passing attack struggled, the running game was shut down by the Western Maryland defensive line, managing only 18 yards.

The defense for Muhlenberg, however, showed many signs of improvement, allowing only seven second-half points.

Jim Socci, a junior linebacker, earned an honorable mention for Centennial Conference defensive player of the week with ten tackles, including a quarterback sack in the end-zone for a safety.

"He played very well," Olejack said, "He's really coming into his own."

Senior captain Dan Terpstra had twelve tackles, and junior Jason Novak contributed eleven. Novak also had a quarterback sack, and assisted on another.

All together, the Muhlenberg defense registered five quarterback sacks, and played well.

"The defense really stepped it up," said Olejack.

There are still things that need to be worked on, however. Once again the Mules were victimized twice by big-gain pass plays, both over 60 yards.

"Also, we have to improve the run defense," Olejack said.

Muhlenberg scored its first touchdown of the game when senior wide receiver Michael Patschke recovered a fumble in the end-zone.

"He was johnny-on-the-spot," Olejack said of Patschke.

A Howie Pollard run gave the Mules their second touchdown of the second half, but it was too little, too late.

For the fourth straight game Muhlenberg failed to put points on the board early, leaving themselves with a hole to climb out of in the second half.

Muhlenberg continues to be plaqued by injuries, as another key player, sophomore linebacker John Burke is sidelined with a hip pointer.

Mark Magavero, senior kicker and safety, was forced to sit out the second half Saturday when he suffered a leg injury, but he is expected to return this week.

There is some good news concerning injuries, as junior running back Matt Lunn's return to active duty is probable this week following an ankle injury.

This game was the Mules' best showing of the year. "We did improve," said Olejack, "But we need to put more points on the board. We'll catch a break sooner or later."

Muhlenberg's next game is here at home Saturday 1:00 PM against Swathmore.

Women's soccer drops close game to Haverford

by Scott Burke
Weekly Sports Writer

The 1996 Women's Soccer team, showing their continued strength on defense and growing comfort with offense, dropped a highly contested match to Haverford College on October first at home on Varsity Field.

The defending Centennial Conference champions, the Haverford Fords, outscored their opponents 25-1 last year, and have been playing more like Ferraris than Fords this season.

Last year the Cardinal and Grey took the Haverford booters deep into overtime before succumbing to a late goal.

Though Muhlenberg played a team that had once been known as the Angry, Skullbashing Quakers, the Mules were not afraid, in fact they were eager to test Haverford, and see how fast these Fords could go.

From the opening whistle, Muhlenberg charged towards the Haverford net.

Junior Denise Diorio was very influential in pressing the attack against the Haverford defenders.

Freshman Karen Konopelski continuously drove through the Haverford players to get at the ball.

The hometown crowd packed the bleachers on Varsity Field, screaming "Go 'Berg!" and rooting hard for their team.

Muhlenberg generated more offensive chances than in past games, yet some impossible saves made by the Haverford netminder kept the scoreboard clean.

Though the Muhlenberg attack has been improved, Haverford utilized a "sweeper" to support their defensive backs.

This old style of defense, made popular by the Italian World Cup teams of many years ago, worked perfectly for Haverford as the extra defender kept the Mules from denting the net, and gave the Fords the time to work up their own offensive push, tallying one with 10:32 to play in the first half.

The Muhlenberg defense, which has given up only one goal in each of the last four games, stood their ground once again, and despite Haverford's renewed energy after putting a point on the board, held the attacking Fords for the rest of the game, refusing to give up another goal.

The Mule defense has truly been the team's strength all season, keeping Muhlenberg in the game, even when they have been down early, as in the victory at Dickinson College.

Senior Captain Tina Rauchut, junior Captain Laurie Kennedy, and freshmen Lisa Wojtowicz and Allison Fish have done great work on the defensive line, making sure Muhlenberg stays in every game, right down to the final buzzer. Three-quarters of all games this season for Muhlenberg have been decided by one goal.

All through the second half, the more experienced Haverford team had their hands full with the scrappy 'Berg kickers.

Muhlenberg shut down the Haverford offense, and forced the Fords to play a slower, more defensive game.

Though Muhlenberg made fast breaks and thrilled their fans with the possibility of a goal, Haverford's tight defensive play stifled the driving Mules again and again.

Although a single bounce of the ball could have changed the outcome of the game, Head Coach Leslie Benintend continued to be impressed by the performance of her athletes.

"If you've got heart, there's not a game on the schedule you can't win."

Does Muhlenberg have heart? Said Coach Benintend, "I think so!"

Cross Country posts a strong finish at Connecticut Invitational

by Scott Burke
Weekly Sports Writer

The 1996 Men's and Women's Cross Country teams posted a strong finish this past weekend at the Connecticut College Invitational, held in New London, Connecticut.

A field of 104 women and 77 men warmed up near the start with light stretching and mental conditioning exercises.

Of the spectators assembled, Muhlenberg had the largest contingent of fans; alumni, parents, friends of the runners, and high school coaches, proudly wearing the Cardinal and Grey, prepared to cheer on their Mules.

As both the men's 5-mile race and the women's 3-mile race began, the vast field of athletes assembled at the start, the gun went off, and then the dozens and dozens of runners began down the dirt track, disappearing into the woods.

As for the course, "It was the most difficult course we've run," said Head Coach Linda Andrews.

"It was a true cross country course, with numerous steep upgrades, rocks, stream beds, turns, and steep down grades. It was a true test of racecourse management."

The tireless effort of the Mule team was evident as they kept pace and even led such ranked competition as Amherst, Smith, and New York University.

The women finished fifth in a field of twelve. Sue van Riper, sophomore, led the Mules with a 13th place finish (21:37), and won an award for her strong performance. van Riper was also named Runner of the Week.

Freshman Cindy Bredefelt was just behind in 18th with a 21:44. Two seconds later followed freshman Ellissa Murphy, who ran a very gutsy race, finishing 19th.

The men also proved themselves this weekend, placing fourth in a very competitive field of eight. Junior Pete Dunlaevy finished first for the 'Berg, at 29:22, 17th overall. Junior James Batzel came in shortly after, 21st (29:34).

Batzel, for hanging on to his position the whole race, was named Runner of the Week. Co-Captain and senior Steve Smullin (26th) posted a 29:54, junior Josh McHale (30th) made it in 30:11, and freshman Aaron Bova (36th) rounded out a very tight finish for the top five with a 30:32.

"The team ran very well," Coach Andrews concluded. "Whenever you can get your top five within a minute, it means there was a very good team effort."

The team spent the entire weekend training in Connecticut, made possible in part through team fundraising.

Their next meet is the Dickinson College Invitational, to be held October 12th.

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New fraternity hopes to gain Muhlenberg recognition

by Holly Degnan
Weekly staff writer

Four Muhlenberg students are working to bring diversity to the Greek system on campus by adding a new fraternity. Seniors Dave Stabile and Sean Rubin teamed up with sophomores Mark Morrison and Mike Stabile to bring what may seem like a pipe dream into reality.

Inspired by the Delta Tau Delta chapter at Arizona State University, Dave Stabile decided Delta Tau Delta could help answer the problem of the limited social scene at Muhlenberg College.

The would-be founding fathers of Delta Tau Delta have already met with the DTD regional and national boards. Morrison says he believes they made a good impression.

Next, they sent an application, along with a proposal to the national board. "We hope to be granted a charter by Christmas," Mike Stabile said. If a charter is granted, these four leaders, along with the growing number of men interested in joining Delta Tau Delta, will still have another obstacle to overcome. "Becoming a fraternity is no problem," says Morrison. "Getting Muhlenberg to recognize us officially as a fraternity will be a much more difficult issue."

Brian Mauro, the new head of Greek affairs at Muhlenberg, said that it is possible to start a new fraternity here, but not yet. In the last few years, Zeta Beta Tau and Phi Kappa Tau have been kicked off campus. Last year, Greek Week between the four existing fraternities fell apart. "The institution says we need to stabilize Greek life before we expand on it," Mauro said.

What has happened in the past does not daunt the students who want to start Delta Tau Delta. They are fully aware of the bad press social life at Muhlenberg has been getting. "We found a fraternity with a positive image," says Dave Stabile. "We want a chance to prove ourselves, and we are trying to do that. There is not much else we can do."

Starting with a program called Adopt-a-School, they plan to show the college administration that they are serious. By tutoring students from a school in the Allentown school district, they feel they will get through to both the college and the community, says Morrison.

An agreement already reached with the national office of another fraternity, Phi Kappa Tau, presents another obstacle for the Delta Tau Delta hopefuls. Brian Mauro says that Phi Kappa Tau has the right to be the next fraternity recognized at Muhlenberg College. This agreement cannot be ignored, Mauro said. When the PKT national board feels they can successfully recolonize, they will be welcome back on campus.

So why are these students pushing so hard for change? "My brother and a couple of his friends were thinking about pledging, but they did not feel comfortable with any of the existing options," says Dave Stabile. "Muhlenberg is a very small school," says Morrison. "Yet it houses a very diverse group of students; the current fraternity scene is just too limited."

"We just want to belong to a fraternity that we feel right about," says Mike Stabile. "We are willing to work hard, we have meetings every Monday, and we are really psyched about what we have accomplished so far. We just hope that this can become a reality."

The Board of Trustees adds new members

information courtesy
of public relations

Five individuals have been named to the Board of Trustees at Muhlenberg College.

Four members began their three-year terms in September. They are: Tammy L. Bormann of Long Valley, NJ; Theodore Lithgow Jr. of McDonough, GA; Thomas W. Mendham of Princeton, NJ; and the Reverend David R. Strobel of Bowers, PA. The Reverend Thomas H. Reinsel of Wyomissing, PA began his term on October 11.

A graduate of Muhlenberg College's class of 1983, Bormann is currently an independent consultant of cross-cultural dialogue, conflict management, and communications and is the immediate past national vice president with the program for the National Conference, Inc. She served as Muhlenberg College's assistant director of admissions from 1983 to 1985 and earned her master's of education in counseling and consulting psychology from Harvard University in 1986. Bormann is a member of the American Society for Training and Development. In 1994, she co-founded the Workplace Diversity Network, a joint project of the National Conference and Cornell University of which she is still co-director.

Lithgow is a returning member of the College's board, having served from 1983 to 1995. He

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RIBBON Project Fall Break Trip to Washington, DC

Muhlenberg staff and students travel to AIDS Memorial Quilt Display

The following is a list of those who participated in the trip to DC:

Staff:
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Carole Silvoy
Bob Pileggi
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Aaron Miller '00
Chris DeWitt '00
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Mikal Diamond '00

Above: An air shot of the AIDS Memorial Quilt Display. Over two million people visited the display from October 11-13. It was the largest AIDS awareness event in history.

Left: Students wait to board the Metro in DC for the start of their weekend of volunteer service. From left, Stephanie Melofsky '98, Nanci Bankier '99, Eli Katz '99, Aaron Miller '00, Cori SaNogueira '99, and Lisa Wojtiwicz '00.

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News Digest

compiled by Alice Chumard

China's foreign minister said in an interview Hong Kong will have to curtail some freedoms when it reverts to Beijing's rule July 1. Qian Qichen also criticized Japanese leaders for failing to accept responsibility for Japan's World War II actions, and warned the U.S. against expanding its security ties with Tokyo.

Diabetes researchers urged doctors to use an older test, rather than more complicated newer ones, to detect patients with the disease. The researchers said use of the older test would help uncover the disease in the eight million Americans among whom it is believed undiagnosed.

Italy's high court ordered a retrial of a former Nazi officer for his role in the 1944 massacre of 335 civilians at the Ardeatine Caves near Rome. The court accepted a challenge by prosecutors that a judge in the military tribunal that voted for acquittal in August was biased toward the defendant.

U.N. health officials said the death toll from an outbreak of Ebola virus in Gabon has risen to 10, and four others have been infected. The outbreak is the second this year in the West African nation's northeast. In February, the virus killed 21 people.

Hurricane Lili menaced Cuba after drowning eight people and leaving thousands homeless in Honduras, Costa Rica, and Nicaragua. Forecasters expect Lili to travel up the Florida Straits toward the Bahamas Saturday, and said residents of southern Florida should watch its progress.

New York's LaGuardia Airport reopened after a Delta airliner skidded off the runway in a heavy storm Saturday. Only minor injuries resulted, but the storm killed at least one person and delayed the start of the World Series. In the Caribbean, Hurricane Lili brought widespread damage but few injuries as it hit Cuba and the Bahamas.

Some 250,000 Belgians marched in Brussels to protest alleged government incompetence and corruption that allowed a gang of child abductors to operate for years. The crowd wore white to symbolize the innocence of four girls murdered by the ring.

Internet access has more than doubled to 14.7 million U.S. households in the past year, a recent survey shows.

The Dow Jones Industrials rose 35.03 points to a record 6094.23 on buying related to the "double-witching" expiration of options and futures.

Big Tobacco may be forced to drop its argument that smoking is just a "risk factor" for disease if a study finding a genetic link between smoking and cancer is validated, people on both sides of the tobacco war say.

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Women's Studies Program Announcements

The Womens' Studies Program focuses on activism on the behalf of women and feminism on Muhlenberg's campus and the surrounding community.

SAGE: Students Advocating Gender Equality

The Muhlenberg student group SAGE (Students Advocating Gender Equality) has changed its name from the Women's Action Group in order to emphasize the group's commitment to gender inclusivity. SAGE is open to all male and female students interested in discussing all aspects of gender relations and equality between men and women, and in sponsoring programs to inform and educate members of the community about these issues.

SAGE's main project for the year is Women's Week, a week of presentations and workshops addressing women's and gender issues scheduled for the third week of March. SAGE hopes to organize several other activities for the coming year will be held on Monday, October 30 at 5:30pm in the Hazel Seegers Room in Seeger's Union. Students are welcome to bring dinner trays to the meeting. All interested are encouraged to attend, or to contact Rebekkah Raider (4004) or Patrice DiQuinzio (3416) for further information, or to put your name on the SAGE mailing list. Look for signs in Seeger's announcing upcoming meetings.

"Women of the Land" at Frank Martin Gallery

Women of the Land: Images of Native Americans by Edward S. Curtis will be on view in the Frank Martin Art Gallery from October 1 - November 30. This exhibition features 50 breathtaking photographic images of Native American women by Edward Curtis. Assembled from Muhlenberg College's collection of photographic prints, this exhibition surveys Curtis' images of native women from North American tribes including the Hopi, Cheyenne, Santa Clara and Taos.

With the support of President Teddy Roosevelt and J.P. Morgan, Curtis began the task of traveling throughout North America documenting the life of the Native Americans. This project consumed Curtis for most of his life and continued from circa 1900 through 1930. The resulting photographic prints (photogravures), numbering nearly 1000, are stunning examples of the diversity of American culture and the romantic nature of Curtis' art. The video, The Shadow Catcher, which is a documentary dedicated to Curtis' life and art will be on view in the Gallery throughout the exhibition. The gallery is open Tuesday through Sunday from Noon-5pm. The gallery is closed on Monday.

The exhibition will be enhanced by a series of lectures which will be presented in the gallery on consecutive Wednesday afternoons from 4-5pm.

-November 6 - Dr. Mary Lawlow will discuss the literature and mythology of the Native Americans.
-November 13 - Dr. William Abruzzi will provide an anthropological view of the Native Americans in his talk, "Stereotyping American Indians: An Anthropological Perspective"
-November 20 - Dr. Jadviga da Costa Nunes will present a lecture entitled "Curtis' Pictorial Predecessors." A wine and cheese reception will follow this lecture.

To learn more about Women's Studies at Muhlenberg College, please contact Patrice DiQuinzio, Director of Women's Studies.

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10/1/96 - Medical Transport - Memorial Hall
10/1/96 - Harassment by communication - Walz Hall
10/1/96 - Controlled substance - Prosser Hall
10/3/96 - Animal complaint - 407 N. 23rd Street
10/3/96 - Investigate - 26th and Gordon
10/4/96 - Vandalism - 23rd and Gordon
10/4/96 - Vandalism - Seegers
10/4/96 - Malicious mischief - ML south doors
10/5/96 - Alcohol violation/Possession of drug paraphernalia - East 318D
10/6/96 - Alcohol violation - Benfer 304
10/6/96 - Fire safety violation - Benfer 304
10/6/96 - Fire alarm - Walz hall
10/6/96 - Vandalism - Prosser Hall
10/7/96 - Theft - Red Door - black purse
10/7/96 - Fire - Red Door - grease fire or grill
10/8/96 - Injured student - Memorial Hall
10/9/96 - Sick student - ML
10/9/96 - Vandalism - Prosser - door handle (shaving cream, peanut butter, duct tape)
10/9/96 - Fire alarm - Walz Hall
10/9/96 - Information - Sorority lot - parking violation and disorderly conduct
10/10/96 - Alarm sounding - 2230 Chew Street - fire alarm - cooking
10/11/96 - Intoxicated student - Brown Hall
10/11/96 - Theft - CA - Media Services (microphone and equipment)
10/12/96 - Information - ML - alcohol violation
10/12/96 - Injured visitor - Football field
10/12/96 - Vandalism - fire extinguisher box - Walz Hall
10/13/96 - Auto accident - staff parking lot - hit and run
10/13/96 - Information - unsecured property - TKE
10/13/96 - Information - unsecured property - ATO
10/14/96 - Harassment - CA
10/14/96 - Trespass/Information - Prosser Hall
10/15/96 - Fire alarm - 2245 Gordon - Keck House - cooking
10/15/96 - Suspicious male - 27th and 28th Streets - driver asked student for directions to Hamilton; driver was rubbing his genital area - white male, dark hair, glasses, dark leather jacket
10/15/96 - Information - Brown fire lane - letter of trespass
10/16/96 - Fire alarm - New West Hall
10/16/96 - Theft - Seegers - WMUH - two turntables
10/16/96 - Investigate - Brown Hall - possible drug violation
10/17/96 - Suspicious person - on campus among students
10/17/96 - Theft of bike - rear of Ettinger
10/18/96 - Possible theft - 2411 Liberty Street
10/18/96 - Disabled vehicle - Seegers parking lot - vehicle stuck on curb
10/19/96 - Vandalism to pads in elevator - New West Hall
10/19/96 - Fire alarm - Augustus - steam from bathroom
10/19/96 - Controlled substance - Walz Hall
10/19/96 - Alcohol violation - ATO
10/20/96 - Fire alarm - ATO
10/20/96 - Disturbance - Prosser Hall - two students arguing
10/20/96 - Alcohol violation - Prosser Hall
10/20/96 - Theft of license plate - ML lot
10/20/96 - Solicitation/Harassment - library - taller black female (could be transvestite)
10/20/96 - Possible stolen property - Walz Hall - no parking sign in hall
10/21/96 - Theft of plate - ML lot
10/21/96 - Theft of plate - 23rd and Gordon lot
10/21/96 - Theft of plate - Prosser lot
10/21/96 - Theft of plate - 26th and Chew Street
10/21/96 - Controlled substance - Parent's Plaza - marijuana
10/21/96 - Suspicious person - library
10/21/96 - Vandalism - 3rd floor Walz Hall - glass in fire extinguisher
10/21/96 - Suspicious activity - four students - beach volleyball courts
10/22/96 - Sick student - East Hall
10/22/96 - Theft of license plate - 26th Street
10/22/96 - Theft of eight VCR tapes - Seegers

Safety Tips:

1. Anyone who has information or stolen property - Campus Safety would like to hear from you.
2. With suspicious people, do activities in pairs or groups, or call for an escort.
3. Bike racks - we suggest horseshoe locks on the racks.

Varied experiences brought to board through new members

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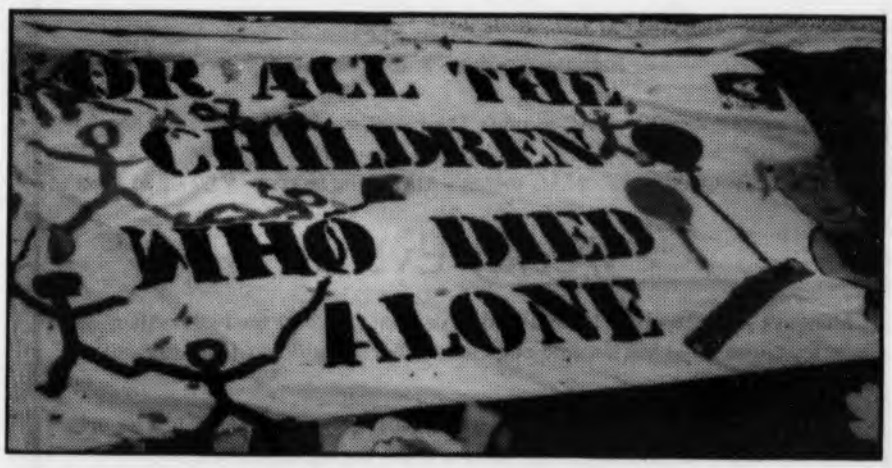
recently retired as president and chief operating officer of Bionaire Corporation, and is now president and chief executive officer of Lithgow Associates Management Consultants. Lithgow is a 1953 graduate of Muhlenberg College, and received the Outstanding Alumni Award in 1982. He is a director of the Center for Disabilities in Long Island, NY, as well as a director of the Jesse Owens Foundation in Chicago.

A 1963 graduate of Muhlenberg College, Mendham is a national sales manager, vice president of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith. He serves as a trustee on the board of the Securities Industry Foundation of Economic Education and the New Jersey Council for Economic Education. He serves on the Board of Regents at the Mercersburg Academy.

Reinsel is the president of The Highlands at Wyomissing, a continuing-care retirement community, and prior to that was a vice president at The Lutheran Home at Topton. He graduated from Muhlenberg College in 1961 and received his master's of divinity from the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. Reinsel is the founder and first president of the Berks County AIDS Consortium and serves on the boards of the Berks County United Way, the South Mountain YMCA, and the Reading Symphony Orchestra. In 1993, he received his Retirement Housing Professional Fellow Certification from the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging.

As Bishop of the Northeastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Strobel replaces the Reverend Harold Weiss as an ex officio member of the Muhlenberg College Board of Trustees. Strobel graduated from Johns Hopkins University in 1967 and earned his master's of divinity degree in 1971 from the Lutheran Theological Seminary. He serves on the boards at the Lutheran Home at Topton and the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia.



This is a panel of the AIDS quilt. 40,000 panels were displayed. The organizers of the trip to view the quilt would like to thank those in the Muhlenberg community who sponsored them.

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Welcome to the Proud Crowd!

Love In The Bond,
Your Sisters

Consult the Mule....

Your *Weekly* Horoscope

by Jennifer Zwirn and Sherry Lynn Fazio
Weekly columnists

Aries (3/21-4/20) So Aries, you have been having quite the little abundance of confidence lately, huh?! You probably thought you knew what this said before you read it. Hello....news flash get over yourself, Aries! It's great to have self-esteem, however, too much of anything isn't good. You tell people you really know what's going on, but they're on to you. Watch out! Then you might just be able to see what you thought you already knew before. You'll be so surprised at all the new things you find out!

Taurus (4/20 - 5/20) Alright Taurus now even though you are the one who people are always envious of because of your wonderful personality and caring attitude, you seem to be having a bit of a problem with those closest to your heart lately. You do know what you want and are a very strong person, however, you need to be very careful with others and their feelings, too. It is important that you sometimes take a step back and make sure that you look at situations from other people's eyes as well as your own. It's great to be independent, but being independent doesn't mean being selfish.

Gemini (5/21 - 6/20) Hey Gemini - you seem to have a secret admirer...how exciting! You've been waiting a long time for a little change of scene and here's your chance. Aren't you flattered that your secret beau has noticed what a great person you are? Let yourself have some fun with the whole thing. You've been running yourself ragged so it's time you have the opportunity to enjoy the attention. Just be sure that with all this flattery and flirting, your head doesn't get too big.

Cancer (6/21 -7/22) Hey Cancer....so you have turned into Ms./Mr. Personality lately. There have been some major changes in your life recently and it seems to have been a good thing for you. Many of your insecurities have disappeared and you seem to be much more relaxed with life. Go you! On the other hand, though, be careful that your head doesn't swell up...you want to keep all those new friends you've made. Enjoy yourself, but also be careful.

Leo (7/23 - 8/22) Alright Leo you have been continuously doing the same thing night after night — isn't it time for a change? You should really try something new to put the spark back into your life. Even though you really enjoy your normal day to day activity, there are so many things life has to offer you that you aren't taking advantage of at all. You should use every moment that you are blessed with to try something new or make a memory. These are supposed to be the best years of your life - don't let them pass you by just sitting in your room!

Virgo (8/23 - 9/22) Well Virgo partying has become one of your favorite pastimes, huh! You are pretty mature though and know just how to Balance your time, so enjoy yourself here because it doesn't last forever. You are one of the lucky ones who has realized that before it passed you by for good. As far as you personal life goes, don't take everything so seriously — most things blow over as long as you don't give them too much undeserving attention.

Libra (9/23 - 10/22) Okay, Libra, you are in way over your head. You have been completely oblivious to what's happening around you lately. It's time to open your eyes and see what's been going on while you've been off in your own little world. If you don't then once you come back down to reality with the rest of us, you will notice that all the friends you used to have are now gone. Think twice next time you disregard a message or ditch a friend on the weekend, sooner or later you're going to need someone and nobody is going to be there. Think about it.

Scorpio (10/23 - 11/21) You know Scorpio, you are a really great person, but you aren't really supposed to let others know that you're aware of this. Always keep others guessing! Bring a little excitement into your life and don't always let everyone know that you're aware of what's up. You'll be amazed at how people will respond to your new approach to dealing with them. It's good to be confident, but you want to have fun too, so just keep things to yourself....watch and see what happens!

Sagittarius (11/22 - 12-21) Hey Sagittarius, you sure have had your head up in the clouds lately. What's so exciting up there anyway? The rest of us would really love to know! You know, you ought to sit down and talk to a friend about everything you've been thinking. Maybe they could help you solve things or maybe you'd just feel better once you get all your thoughts out. You often find yourself thinking only freaks have problems, but we're all human and all have emotions and troubles. You have lots of friends just waiting to hear all about it...so take advantage of them while they're still around for you.

Capricorn (12/22 - 1/19) Listen up Capricorn, you have practically been handed an opportunity and you're letting it slip away. What are you waiting for?! When something comes your way you tend to always wait because you don't think you're worthy of such a wonderful experience or relationship. This is not the case with your recent discovery. Seize the moment and stop thinking about the future - just take advantage and enjoy the present!

Aquarius (1/20 - 2/18) Hey Aquarius, fall break is over! You can't seem to quite get back into the swing of things. Well, don't despair. Now you need to sit down and do all that work. Prioritize, as your parents might say. Just think how great it'll be to have all those assignments done and out of the way. And if that's not enough, imagine all the time you'll have to spend with your new beau or crush. So, what are you waiting for? Go make a study date with them and get to work!

Pisces (2/19 - 3/20) Hey Pisces...well it appears that lately you have forgotten where you are and only remember why you're here! This is college and, yes, you're right, that you are here to study but if you don't take your head out of the books then you might get stuck and miss everything! These are supposed to be the best years of your life and as long as you are trying your best and working as hard as you can...then step back and give yourself a break. Go out - have a good time with your friends...they have forgotten what you look like! It's okay to have fun once in a while!

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Weekly Guide to Student Activities

This weekend is Homecoming Weekend. Don't forget to come out and enjoy the activities and support your favorite Muhlenberg sports team. The football game will begin at one o'clock in the afternoon.

Thursday, October 24 - Study Abroad Panel - 7:00 - Trumbower 130

Friday, October 25 - Homecoming Pep Rally - 9:00 - lot behind Haas Center
Soul Clown - 10:00 - lot behind Haas Center

Saturday, October 26 - Homecoming Parade
Homecoming Dance - 9:00 - Garden Room

Sunday, October 27 - Hillel Bagel Brunch and speaker - 12:00 - Hillel House

Monday, October 28 - MAC movie - Amityville Horror - 6:30 - Red Door
Religion Speaker - 7:00 - Recital Hall

Tuesday, October 29 - MAC movie - The Exorcist - 10:00 - Red Door

Wednesday, October 30 - MAC movie - Amityville Horror - 9:00 - Red Door

Weekly Events

Mondays - Monday night football and all you can eat wings for $4.95. Also, stay for the entire game and become eligible to win a $20 gift certificate to Rookie's or The Outback.

Thursdays - Come to Red Door and watch NBC Thursday comedies with your friends. Enjoy all you can eat nachos for $3.95 during the shows.

Fridays - Order food form the Red Door and pick it up outside at the loading dock. Orders can be placed by calling 821-FOOD and pick it up between 5 and 6 PM.

Muhlenberg College Celebrates

Choice Week

Thank you and congratulations to everyone who made the pledge to remain alcohol free October 18-20.

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Siobhas Hanly
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James Wharton
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Pat Loftus
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Special thanks to the following businesses who contributed gift certificates for Choice Week.

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AMC Theatres
19 Street Theater
Burger King
Trivet Family Restaurant

Congratulations to the winners of the Mocktail Competition.
1st place-Alpha Chi Omega
2nd place-Phi Sigma Sigma
3rd place-Delta Zeta

Thank you to the Multicultural Office, Alpha Phi Omega, Alpha Epsilon Pi, and Phi Mu for their participation and to the PanHellinic Council for sponsoring the event.

Congratulations to the Men's Basketball team who sold the most pledges for the second year in a row. They will be celebrating with a free pizza party.

Muhlenberg's funny little quirks draw attention

An Outside Perspective

by Mark Koup

After a series of rather difficult examinations, I decided to reflect on a few things that give Muhlenberg it's unique personality.

I always wondered why there seemed to be more Deans and squirrels than students here. Have you ever walked down Academic Row before 9:00 am.? You will see what I mean.

How about that friend of yours that has just two classes and can't seem to make them, despite the fact they start at 1:00 o'clock? It makes me wonder sometimes why I continue to kill myself by scheduling 8:00 am classes.

My personal favorite, the sprinkler system, seems to be missing in action. I always saw the relevance of having the sprinklers water the walkways, and agreed with the need to operate them during heavy rain showers.

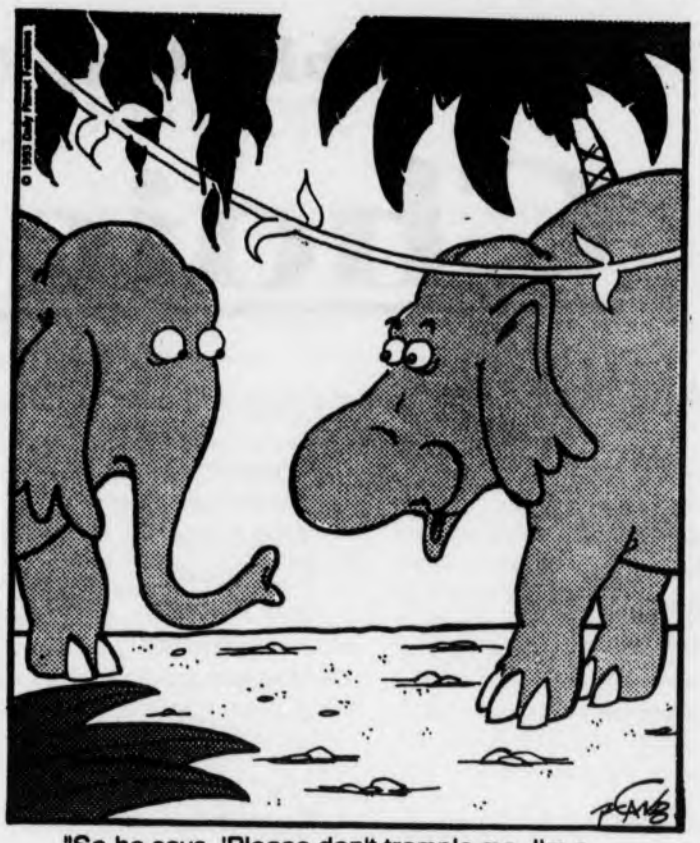
Want a glimpse of Muhlenberg weekend life? Take a look at Prosser Hall bathrooms on Sunday nights. That is character. Also, the heat in Old Prosser works best in May when it is about 70 degrees outside. Never mind the energy bills, or the wide open windows in January.

As a pseudo science major, I have enjoyed several classes in the Trumbower lecture hall. I am convinced the springs on those seats have minds of their own.

Foreign language films add flare to your day, despite the fact that most soap operas wouldn't give the actors an audition.

These are just a few of the items that I have noticed that contribute character to Muhlenberg. There are many more, and probably numerous less cynical examples to point out. I had to headline the preceding, though, and I am pretty sure others have noticed these particulars as well.

The views here in no way reflect those of *The Weekly*, nor do they represent those of the administration. I did find some humor in their particular absurdities, and wouldn't have it any other way.



"So he says, 'Please don't trample me, I'm a plastic surgeon.' And I say, 'Well, maybe we can work something out . . .' "

******* MUHLENBERG COLLEGE ***** REGISTRATION SYSTEM FOR SPRING 1997**

PICK UP REGISTRATION PACKETS on Wednesday, October 30 in the following locations:

Majors: Major One Department Office
Class of 1999/Undeclared: Faculty Advisor's Office
Class of 2000: First Year Advisor's Office

It is essential that you make an appointment with your advisor at the time you pick up your packet.

THE SYSTEM FOR REGISTRATION is designed to be accommodating of student needs. There is time allotted for each class to register and to resolve scheduling problems before the next class registers. Advising is done in faculty offices before, during and after registration. Please read the following instructions carefully.

REGISTRATION BY ALPHABETICAL GROUPINGS
You will register by class and in assigned groups. Each class is divided into groups determined by the letter of the alphabet (student's last name). You may register anytime during the assigned time and thereafter. The groupings rotate in future registrations.

LOCATION FOR REGISTRATION - OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR
HAAS COLLEGE CENTER (GROUND LEVEL)

CALENDAR FOR REGISTRATION & TIME ASSIGNED TO GROUPS
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30-Schedule an appointment with your advisor at the time you pick up your registration packet.

CLASS OF '97 ADVISING PERIOD: Wednesday, October 30 thru Monday, November 4
CLASS OF '97 REGISTERS:

Tuesday, November 5	8:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.	Group 1	"L" thru "R"
	10:30 A.M. to 12 Noon	Group 2	"S" thru "Z"
	1:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.	Group 3	"A" thru "E"
	3:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Group 4	"F" thru "K"

CLASS OF '98 ADVISING PERIOD: Wednesday, October 30 thru Wednesday, November 6
CLASS OF '98 REGISTERS:

Thursday, November 7	8:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.	Group 1	"A" thru "E"
	10:30 A.M. to 12 Noon	Group 2	"F" thru "K"
	1:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.	Group 3	"L" thru "R"
	3:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Group 4	"S" thru "Z"

CLASS OF '99 ADVISING PERIOD: Friday, November 8 thru Tuesday, November 12
CLASS OF '99 REGISTERS:

Wednesday, November 13	8:30 A.M. to 12 Noon	Group 1	"L" thru "R"
	1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Group 2	"S" thru "Z"
Thursday, November 14	8:30 A.M. to 12 Noon	Group 3	"A" thru "E"
	1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Group 4	"F" thru "K"

CLASS OF '2000 ADVISING PERIOD: Friday, November 15 thru Tuesday, November 19
CLASS OF '2000 REGISTERS:

Wednesday, November 20	8:30 A.M. to 12 Noon	Group 1	"A" thru "C"
	1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Group 2	"E" thru "G"
Thursday, November 21	8:30 A.M. to 12 Noon	Group 3	"H" thru "L"
	1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Group 4	"M" thru "O"
Friday, November 22	8:30 A.M. to 12 Noon	Group 5	"P" thru "So"
	1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Group 6	"Sp" thru "Z"

Mules tie Messiah to keep playoff hopes alive

Soccer team holds number one ranked Falcons scoreless

by Seth Leichter
***Weekly* Sports Reporter**

The playoffs are starting early for the Mules this year. On Wednesday, the men's Muhlenberg soccer team squared off against the number one ranked team in the region and fourth ranked team in the nation in Messiah.

At present, the Mules are ranked sixth in the region and on the bubble for making the playoffs due to two costly back to back losses to then nineteenth-ranked Virginia Wesleyan 1-0 final and then to sixth-ranked Elizabethtown in a 4-1 overtime loss.

The only other blemish to the Mules record went to Centennial Conference rival, Johns Hopkins, then co-holders of first place in the conference. The Mules lost that in a heart-breaker 1-0.

The Messiah Falcons have owned its opponents since its season-opening loss to Kenyon. Messiah is currently riding an 11 game winning streak.

During the streak, the Falcons are outscoring their opponents by a score of 53-6.

The Falcons earned the number one ranking in the region when Elizabethtown lost to the College of New Jersey last week.

The Messiah offense is bolstered by a tremendous tandem of forwards in seniors Chris Tassy and Steve Mott. Tassy, an All-American last year, has incredible stats of 16 goals and 9 assists for 41 points. Mott also is lethal with 11 goals and 29 assists to his credit.

All in all, the first half was fairly even in terms of pressure, winning loose balls, transition, aggresive defense and blown scoring chances.

In the first half, the Mules used a give and go on corner kicks that appeared to be effective, but the Messiah defense was too stingy to let any balls slip by.

The Mules utilized their speed and ball controlling skills to create scoring chances using the potentially deadly cross.

The Mules had six solid scoring opportunities to "put the biscuit in the basket," but could not convert. While the Falcons only managed to mess up four scoring chances.

The second half showed more of the same intensity with hard-nosed defense by both squads and solid ball control.

The Mules worked the ball well at midfield, but could not penetrate deep into the Messiah end well, missing a whopping 11 scoring chances in the second half to Messiah's five attempts.

The Mules used the same controlling style of offense until about the twenty-two mark of the second half where it seemed that the Messiah Falcons had the game virtually won with two near misses and the Mules very fatigued.

The ball controlling turned into a dump and chase offense with long ill-advised shots.

Fortunately, the Mules stepped it up with eleven minutes to go and controlled the tempo until the gun.

In overtime, both the Mules and Falcons showed tremendous heart and desire with some fabulous defense and tough play throughout as they played a total of 120 minutes of soccer.

The Mule defense anchored the team as they were not able to mount an effective attack in the final frame as the final score ended up in a 0-0 tie.

The Mules continued their quest for the playoffs against Western Maryland with a 3-0 shutout moving their record to 8-3-2 and a #6 ranking in the region.

The Mules lock horns with Rowan on Wednesday at 3:30 and Washington (Md.) on Saturday at 1:30.

Women's soccer racks up two conference wins

Mules take down Bryn Mawr and blank Ursinus

by Scott Burke
Weekly Sports Reporter

Picking up their offense, the 1996 Women's Soccer team soundly defeated Bryn Mawr College on Varsity Field on October 8, and followed that up with a three-goal shutout at Ursinus on the 10th.

The Bryn Mawr Blackcats showed up for one of the rainiest games ever played on Varsity Field, very possibly the wettest game in Centennial Conference history. Stalwart fans took refuge under Cardinal and Grey umbrellas.

There was no shelter from the rain for the athletes. The relentless downpour soaked the turf, slickened the grass and drenched the players to the bone.

The rain would not deter the Muhlenberg squad from their game plan. From the opening play, the Mules attacked hard. Sophomore Molly Kettlewell drove down the field and scored a goal inside the first thirty seconds of play.

Muhlenberg continued to attack all through the first half. The forwards and midfielders set up camp in the Bryn Mawr zone, angling to make the score two to nil.

The second tally came at nine minutes, forty-five seconds, when Celina Boer zipped one past the netminder.

Vince Lombardi once counseled that "a good defense is a good offense." Head Coach Leslie Benintnend seems to be stressing this game philosophy of late, for Muhlenberg, showing continuous offensive drive and hunger, controlled the ball, and prevented Bryn Mawr from making any significant runs.

The few times that Bryn Mawr did manage to gain possession and start heading down the field, the stubborn Mule defense closed in, collected the ball, and fed it to the midfielders and forwards.

Twenty minutes into the half, Muhlenberg struck again. Boer scored her second goal of the game, and her tenth point of the season. Bryn Marw started to come alive and pressed the Mule defense with a hard-working attack that eventually enabled them to drive all the way down the field.

The rain still falling hard, the Blackcats netted one, making the score at the end of the half 1 goal for Bryn Mawr, 3 goals for Muhlenberg.

Freshman Hillary Moses got that goal back twenty minutes into the second half, beating the Blackcat goalie to make the score 4-1, another Mule victory, another Centennial conference win.

On Thursday, October 10, Muhlenberg recorded another Centennial Conference win as they traveled to Collegeville, Pennsylvania to face the Ursinus Bears.

The field was still wet and muddy from the rain, forming an especially swampy midfield.

Picking up where they left off against Bryn Mawr, the Mules unleashed a strong attacking game as Muhlenberg blanked Ursinus three goals to none.

This was no easy task; the Bears had several well-skilled booters, and promise to be an even more ferocious competitor in the future.

Freshman Heather Dreby scored the first goal for the Mules early in the first half. Freshman Shannon Lowther was credited with another goal fifteen minutes later.

The tally brought Lowther's total up to nine points for the season. In the second half, a good shot by Boer found the back of the net, with 16:40 left to play. Goaltender Jackie Vanderstreet, a sophomore, lowered her goals-against average to 1.29, giving her the second-best average for keepers in the Conference.

Volleyball season nearing end

by Benjamin David
***Weekly* Sports Writer**

The Muhlenberg College Volleyball team is quickly nearing season's end. As far as many are concerned, however, they have already accomplished far more than a season's worth.

This past week alone, these women have defeated Delaware Valley, Cedar Crest, Swarthmore and Haverford College.

Their only defeat this week came at home against a tough Johns Hopkins squad. Nevertheless, when they won, they won big.

Delaware Valley was able to muster a mere thirteen points in two games while the weaker Cedar Crest was able to put only eight total points on the board.

As a team, they have performed beautifully all season long. Despite a mediocre 12-14 overall record, the Mules have been able to fuse the young and inexperienced with the veteran standouts.

Junior Lauren Buyyounouski, for instance, now holds the school record for most kills in a season with 314. She also owns the record for most kills in a career with 821. Buyyounouski has proven herself time and time again, for she is a leader in the true sense of the word. Her style on and off the court coupled with her impressive statistics could convince anyone that she is this team's heart and soul if it ever had one.

On the other side of the ball lies the youth of this women's team. Milena Negrao and Allison Verduin, for example, are two freshmen who have been quite beneficial since arriving on the scene.

Forget that their collegiate athletic career began a few short months ago. Both have played in over 50 games.

Verduin has 106 kills to date, second only to Buyyounouski. Her future looks promising.

The future, in general, looks promising. One could say that this team has done a fair amount of growing this season. They have proven themselves in the Centennial Conference and beyond.

And as the season draws to its close, we can recollect on a season of successes, defeats and lessons learned.

Likewise, we can look ahead to what should be another exciting season.

X-Country on the right track

by Scott Burke
***Weekly* Sports Writer**

The 1996 Cross Country Team ran in the Dickinson Invitational Meet at Carlisle High School on Saturday, October 12, 1996.

The pack was huge; there were 197 women and 241 men, representing 35 colleges. A pre-race excitement charged the air.

Runners warmed up with stretching and light jogging, turning their focus away from the crowded field, focusing inward, preparing themselves for the long test of physical and mental endurance to come.

"The course rolled through fields, up and down hills," said Head Coach Linda Andrews. "Since it is the same course as the Conference Championship this year, we thought this would be a good preview."

The crowd could not see the strategy each runner employed, the way they paced themselves, the questions they asked themselves—should I pass her on the hill, or wait till we're back on the flat? Here emerges not just the physical challenges of cross-country running, the pushing one's self to the point of exhaustion, but also the intricate mental and spiritual challenges.

These were challenges the Muhlenberg harriers accepted. The men finished twenty-second. Leading the Mules was Junior James Batzell (28:32), followed by senior co-Captain Steve Smullin (28:43) and Junior Peter Dunlaevy (28:55). Freshman Aaron Bova finished in 29:03, junior Josh McHale finished in 29:51, junior Neal Sheridan finished in 30:15, and senior co-Captain Tom Bailey clocked a 31:07. Sophomore David Brightbill was named runner of the week.

The women also finished twenty-second. Sophomore Sue VanRiper was the first finisher for the team, running a 21:05. She was followed by freshman Cindy Bredefelt (21:55), freshman Lauren Weisenberg (22:44), sophomore Laurie Bennet (23:34), also named Runner of the Week, who was followed five seconds later by sophomore Kathy duFosse. Jennie Love, a freshman, crossed the finish line in 23:55.

The meet at Allentown College on Saturday was rained out. The next meet is Saturday the twenty-sixth, again at Dickinson College, this time for the Centennial Conference Championship.

Mules break 21 game losing streak

Football team beats Swathmore 40-27

by C.J. Lenat
Weekly Sports Writer

It didn't take an astrological occurrence or an act of God for the Muhlenberg College football team to win, it just took 21 games, a little luck, and a lot of hard work.

On Saturday October 12, the Mules beat Swarthmore College 40-27 to earn their first win of this season, and of the past two seasons. This feat was so significant it even earned a tounge-in-cheek mention on ESPN's *Sportscenter*.

The reason Muhlenberg won was simple: the passing game finally showed up. And show up it did, to the tune of 236 yards in the air and four touchdowns by starting quarterback George Fosdick.

Fosdick's performance earned him first team offensive player of the week in the Centennial Conference.

The Muhlenberg offense finally got the big plays it needed with a 48 yard Fosdick pass to wide receiver John Knapp, and another to Mike Kern which went for 57 yards and a touchdown.

Mike Martino, a Sophomore running back, took some pressure off of Fosdick and the passing attack with his 72 yard rushing performance. Martino scored one touchdown rushing and caught a Fosdick pass for his second score of the game.

"He is right now our leading rusher and scorer," Head Coach Greg Olejack said of Martino.

One of the main reasons the passing and running attacks worked so well was the offensive line of the Mules.

"They opened up holes for Martino and gave Fosdick time to pass," Olejack said.

The Mules defense was also outstanding, recording six quarterback sacks and two interceptions.

Junior Jason Novak earned an honorable mention for. defensive player of the week by recording six tackles, including three quarterback sacks.

Strong safety Brian Fanning had ten tackles, linebacker Justin Trakimas had nine, and Lionel Hush and Gregg Bevan each had eight for the Mules.

The defense gave the offense the opportunity to win by allowing only six second-half points. The Mules scored twenty one points in the last two quarters to come from behind and win.

"The players kept their focus and came back to beat them," Olejack said. "It was one of my top two best wins ever. It was a great win for the players."

The Mules were denied a winning streak on Friday when they lost to Johns Hopkins 20-0.

After the teams emerged from the locker room at the end of half time in a scoreless tie, the monsoon came.

"It rained so hard that I couldn't see two feet in front of my face," Sophomore defensive lineman Frank Marrero said.

With the help of the blinding rain Johns Hopkins ran the ball for over 200 yards and two touchdowns on the disoriented Mules defense.

While the rain seemed to help the Johns Hopkins offense, it halted the Mules, who failed to score.

Quarterback George Fosdick did pass for over 100 yards, but threw three interceptions. Combined with four fumbles, the Mules turned the ball over seven times.

"We really have to work on securing the football," Olejack said. "The turnovers really hurt us."

Muhlenberg's defense played well again, considering the conditions. Billy Howlett recorded twelve tackles, including a quarterback sack, to earn him honorable mention for defensive player of the week.

Juniors Steven Brady and Jim Socci recorded eleven tackles each, and Senior captain Dan Terpstra added ten.

Muhlenberg hopes to get another check in the win column when they play Gettysburg at 1:00 PM in this Saturday's Homecoming game.

Field hockey team on fire as winning streak extends to six games

Remarkable hot streak brings Lady Mules to .500 for first time this season

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

The Muhlenberg Field Hockey team is on fire after they completed a Centennial Conference sweep of Dickinson, Haverford and Franklin & Marshall. The sweep brings their winning streak to 6 games.

In the first game, the Mules held off the Dickinson Red Devils for a 5-4 overtime win at Dickinson on Saturday.

The team jumped out to a 3-0 first half lead. "We played brilliantly with a total team effort. [The half] was our best ever. It was total perfection", Coach Laurie Kerr said of her team's first half performance.

However, the Lady Mules' lead was not safe. In the second half, the Red Devils came out firing. They sent the Mules to an extra frame tied at 4-4.

"We fell into a comfort zone, but we were determined not to lose," said Coach Kerr.

In overtime, the always reliable Christy Rudderow scored the winning goal giving the Mules an overtime win.

On Monday, the Lady Mules faced off against Haverford. Coach Kerr commented that "A good quality of play was hard to establish on a wet field, but we are a good team and always find ways to win."

The team did win behind another overtime goal by Christy Rudderow.

On Tuesday, the Lady Mules won another overtime game, behind another Rudderow goal. The win gives Rudderow three overtime time goals in four days.

Coach Kerr attributes the success of the team to a total team effort. She says, "Different players step up big every game. Becky Pierotti, Kim Brady, Peach Riegle, Stacy Devine, Beth Hughes and Christen Uryñiak have all come up big. Nancy Fernandex has kept us in many games."

Kerr adds, "I like our team's chances if we can get into overtime." And why not? The team is undefeated this season in overtime, mostly to the team's leading scorer Rudderow.

The team's record is now 7-7 overall and 4-4 in the conference. The team hopes to go over the .500 mark for the first time this season with the season finale this Saturday home against Bryn Mawr at Homecoming. Game time is 11AM.

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New Muhlenberg professor implements Asian studies program

by Heather Brown
News Editor

One of the newest additions to Muhlenberg's faculty is Dr. Da'an Pan, professor of Asian Studies. Dr. Pan came to Muhlenberg this August with several goals. First, he wanted to establish an Asian Studies program. This objective has been fulfilled with much enthusiasm from both students and faculty.

This semester, Dr. Pan is teaching two courses within the Asian Studies discipline; Visiting the Middle Kingdom - An Introduction to Traditional Chinese Civilization and a freshman seminar entitled... In the spring, he will broaden the courses offered in this area to include Splendors from the Imperial Past - An Introduction to Traditional Chinese Art and The Tao of the Body and the Mind - An Introduction to Traditional Chinese Medicine.

In addition to establishing an Asian Studies program, Dr. Pan is also working on adding an Asian component to Muhlenberg's overseas program. The addition of an Asian exchange program would fill the void which currently exists within Muhlenberg's exchange program opportunities.

Dr. Pan believes that not only is a heavier emphasis on Asian studies and culture desirable, but it is increasingly becoming a necessary part of the liberal arts education. "Due to its large population, the strength of its national economy, and the strength of its international prestige, China will have a more important role in the coming century," says Pan. Pan notes an increasing demand for schools to offer Chinese language courses, and encourages all students to learn more about non-Western culture. Dr. Pan claims that "exposure to non-Western cultures will add a valuable level of diversity to students' curriculum and credentials."

Another important goal which Dr. Pan hopes to achieve is to improve the quality of faculty-student interaction. During his fifteen years of teaching experience, Dr. Pan has witnessed various levels of student-teacher interaction. One of the major influences which drew Dr. Pan to Muhlenberg was the emphasis on personal attention between the faculty and the students. However, Pan feels that there is always room for improvement.

Pan says that "getting involved with the students - especially in the classroom - makes me feel younger." The concept which Dr. Pan implements in his classroom is that of "student empowerment". Pan has his students each take on a leadership role within the classroom setting. This student leadership may be through the presentation of material in a prepared lecture, heading a class discussion, or peer evaluation of other students' work.

Through student empowerment, Pan hopes that he is teaching students to teach themselves. He strongly advocates self-taught learning, as he has personal experience in this practice. Pan himself was forced to learn English on his own when the schools in his rural hometown were closed down during times of political unrest. He claims that self-teaching is, and has been for him, a lifelong process which improves one's communications skills and stimulates deeper thinking.

Dr. Pan's credentials include numerous publications and awards. Most notably, he was the only junior faculty member nominated for the 1994 National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Fellowship, which he went on to win. He graduated from Hangzhou University in Hangzhou, China with an undergraduate degree in English, and received his master's (from Hangzhou University) in English Literature. Dr. Pan received his Ph.D. in Comparative Literature from the University of Rochester in New York.

Pan's passion for teaching began in 1981, when he taught English in China. Over the next six years, this passion developed more fully, and he decided to come the States to teach and to further his own education. At the University of Rochester, while working on his Ph.D., he taught part-time in Chinese Language and Literature. For the past five years, Dr. Pan has taught both graduate and honors undergraduate students at the University of Illinois. He uses the experience he has with honors students at the University of Illinois to mold his teaching style here at Muhlenberg.

Dr. Pan commented on the negative press which revolves around American students today. He feels that a lot of the responsibility lies with the instructors rather than the students. Pan claims that "faculty members must do more thinking and re-thinking, and the current methodology must be revolutionized" rather than students making internal changes.

Pan's own attempt to revolutionize what goes on in his classroom has been met with much enthusiasm. "Students' attitudes have been very positive," says Pan, referring to his concept of student empowerment. "They sometimes outsmart me - and that makes me happy!"

Muhlenberg Washington Semester students dine with Congressional officials

Three seniors in Muhlenberg's Semester in Washington dined last month with Senator Paul Simon of Illinois and the Rev. Dr. James D. Ford. Chaplain of the U.S. House of Representatives. The students attended the Wittenberg awards banquet on September 18 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel where Senator Simon was honored for over two decades of public service. They also met with other members of Congress, nearly twenty visiting Lutheran bishops, and distinguished guests such as the Ambassador of Sweden.

Muhlenberg's Amanda Barnes and Laura Jayson are both Communications majors. Amanda, who is interested in advertising, is interning with the Advertising Section of the Washington Business Journal. Laura wants to pursue a career in marketing, and is interning in the Marketing Department of the U.S. Small Business Administration. Dawn Sienicki, whose specialty is International Trade Administration, Chile Desk, of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

The dinner meeting with Senator Simon was one of many notable events scheduled for the students each week during their semester in Washington. While attending Muhlenberg's popular semester in the Nation's Capital, students are involved in many memorable events, such as volunteering at the Clinton-Gore of Dole-Kemp Presidential Headquarters, attending Congressional hearings and sessions of the House and Senate, seeing the blockbuster musical "Beauty and the Beast" at the Kennedy Center, hearing discussions by public policy experts, notably Secretary of Labor Richard Reich and Ed Rollins,

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Campus Safety Notes

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10-24-96 - Harassment by Communications - Brown
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former political consultant to both President Ronald Reagan and Third Party Presidential Candidate, Ross Perot - all in the first month of the semester.

Throughout the remaining weeks of the fourteen-week semester, they will be attending briefings on foreign policy issues at the U.S. Department of State, will hear an update on the role of the U.S. Military by Pentagon officials, and will be present at the U.S. Supreme Court when the full court is in session. Additional dinner meetings will include debates by prominent spokespersons on issues such as the sharp difference between the Democratic and Republican Party platforms, respectively.

For more information about Muhlenberg College's Semester in Washington, contact Dr. Alton Slane, Political Science, at x3443 or Dr. Nancy D. Joyner, Dean of the Lutheran College Washington Semester at 1-800-449-5328. The program is open to all academic majors and is available to students beginning in the second semester of their junior year. Students will be attending the inauguration of the new president during the first week of the Spring 97 Semester in Washington.

Muhlenberg Indian Club celebrates holiday of Diwali

by Samir Pandya
Weekly staff writer

This past Monday, October 28, the Indian Club of Muhlenberg College and the Muhlenberg College Chapel presented a unique Coffee and Fellowship experience - "Diwali Show '96". This is the second year that the Indian holiday of Diwali has been celebrated by the Indian students in conjunction with the Chapel.

Though the origins of Diwali are rooted in the Hindu faith, it is celebrated in India today as a secular holiday. Diwali began in ancient India, when, according to folklore, Lord Rama (one of the avatars of Vishnu) came on to the earth in human form to defeat the evil King Ravana and rid the earth of all evil. As the story goes, the night Lord Rama returned to his kingdom after his triumphant victory, there was no moon. To guide their army and their kingdom, the people decided to light the entire kingdom with "deeps", similar to a candle. From then on, the lighting of deeps developed into a tradition, which celebrated the return of Lord Rama to his kingdom and his victory over evil.

Therefore, for Hindus, it is a holiday that is deeply rooted in religion. In modern India, the holiday has a more universal meaning attached to it; it is a celebration of hope. It is celebrated by setting off fireworks and lighting up city streets and houses.

In Monday's program, those involved tried to capture the hope expressed in Diwali and to share it with the Muhlenberg community. The program included several dance performances by members of the Indian community and the Hindu Temple in the Lehigh Valley, a fashion show presented by the Indian Club members, and good Indian food and music.

For this opportunity, the Indian Club would like to express its appreciation for the efforts put forth by the Chapel, the various individuals from the Indian community in the Lehigh Valley who took part in the program, and its advisor, Dr. Vimla Sinha. A special thanks is extended to those who took the time to attend the program and partake in the celebration an to each and every member of the Indian Club, without whom the program would not have been possible.

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MOM AND DAD ALWAYS SAID LOOK BOTH WAYS BEFORE CROSSING CHEW STREET THE LIFE YOU SAVE COULD BE YOUR OWN

Traffic along Chew Street is becoming an increasing problem. Cars are not observing the speed limit and students often walk before looking both ways.

The College is investigating with city and state officials further steps that can be taken to address potential safety hazards. This includes consideration of additional signage and crosswalk signals. In the meantime, nothing is more important in our campus living and learning environment than the personal safety of each individual. We urge your full attention as you walk or drive on this busy street.

1. **Please use designated crosswalks.** State law indicates that drivers of vehicles shall yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within any marked crosswalk. However, as you know, **this is frequently not observed by drivers in this state, especially along Chew Street**. For this reason, pedestrians are urged to exercise extreme care even at crosswalks.

♦ Stop, Look Both Ways ♦

2. State law also indicates that pedestrians crossing a roadway at any point other than within a crosswalk shall **yield the right-of-way to vehicles**.

3. Pedestrians are urged **not to suddenly leave a curb** or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close as to constitute a hazard.

4. Drivers are reminded that the **posted speed limit is 25 MPH**. We will encourage the Allentown Police Department to cite violators of this and other traffic ordinances.

STUDENT SAFETY IS IMPORTANT TO ALL OF US

Muhlenberg students and alumni

Photo by Paige Morris

Above: Muhlenberg's Homecoming Court (from left to right): Eric McGuire, Cici Ermilio, Lauren Emery, Russ Adams, Jen Blair, Shannon Gary, Lou Crivelli, Kristen Dieter, Nicloe Sica, Dennis Williams

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Above: Students and alumni alike came to support the Mules in the Annual Homecoming football game

photo by Tom Amico

Left: Jen Blair is crowned Muhlenberg College's 1996 Homecoming Queen

photo by Tom Amico

Above: Two Muhlenberg cheerleaders smile to show their enthusiasm for the day's activities

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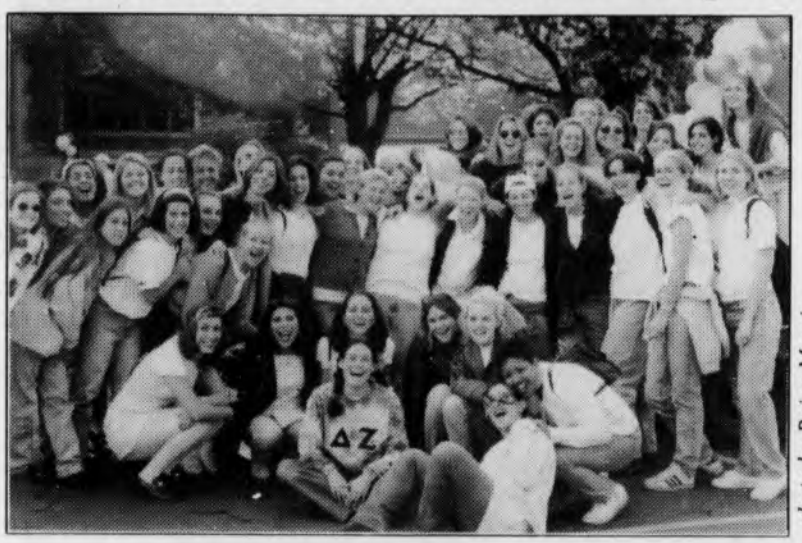
Above: Shannon Gary is crowned Muhlenberg College's 1996 Homecoming King

celebrate Homecoming weekend

Fraternities, sororities and other campus organizations design floats for Homecoming parade



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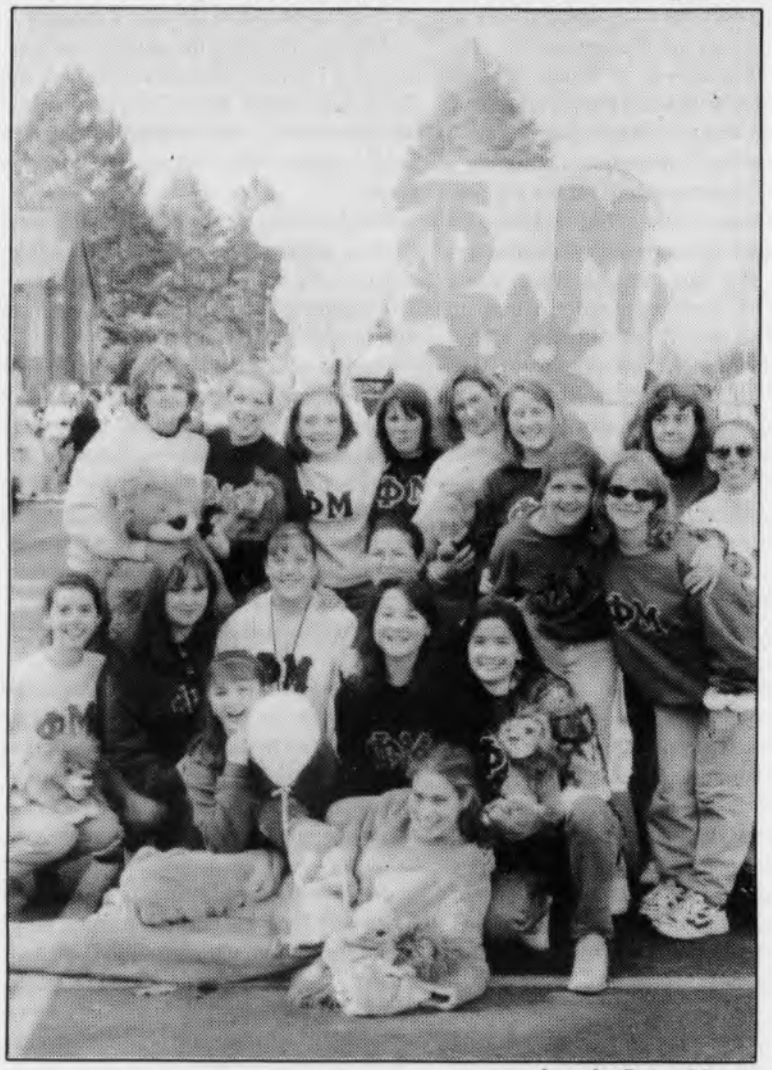

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Associate fails to draw laughs

If you're a star who is dying to explore the cross-dressed land of *Tootsie*, *To Wong Foo* and *Mrs. Doubtfire*, you had better choose an amusing character of the opposite sex to play. That's one of the lessons of *The Associate*, the movie in which Whoopi Goldberg finally takes the plunge into comic transvestism and misses the mark.

The Associate is so nervous on the star's behalf that it keeps putting off the big moment when Laurel Ayres (Ms. Goldberg), a brilliant financial analyst, is forced to impersonate the nonexistent white male partner she has invented in order to drum up business. Sad to say, but Robert S. Cutty, Laurel's portly male alter ego, is no Mrs. Doubtfire.

The character, who looks like a cross between George Washington with a pony-tail and John Houseman in one of his Smith Barney commercials, turns out to be a lumbering monosyllabic bore.

Once the novelty of Ms. Goldberg as a wattled, 60-something financier has worn off, there's nothing for the character to do except flee the Wall Street barracudas and paparazzi who believe Cutty to be the reincarnation of King Midas.

In the character's only funny bit, Laurel in her stuffed-shirt drag ingeniously simulates urination standing up, while hiding in a men's room at the Plaza Hotel.

As for the rest of *The Associate*, it is a lighthearted feminist fable on the order of *The First Wives Club* (but not as witty) that pretends to be daring while making sure not to offend anyone.

Laurel is an unsung Wall Street genius who angrily quits her job when her less-talented male colleague Frank (Tim Daly) is promoted over her. Striking out on her own, she sets up an investment company in her Brooklyn Heights apartment. When no one will do business with her, she invents a male partner, taking his name from a bottle of Cutty Sark, making up a colorful history for him (he was born on the day of the 1929 stock market crash and has dated Barbara Streisand) and insuring that he is always out of town when clients demand a meeting.

Almost overnight, the elusive Cutty becomes a Howard Hughes-size legend, and the money rolls in. When Cutty has to put in an appearance, Laurel enlists her pals in a neighborhood drag club to cook up a disguise.

The Associate, directed by Donald Petrie from a screenplay by Nick Thiel, clicks along nicely until the moment Laurel realizes she has to kill off her alter ego and finds him impossible to eliminate.

The movie bottoms out in a poorly conceived sequence where Laurel and her loyal assistant, Sally (Dianne Wiest), try to stage a fiery crash with a skeleton behind the wheel and are arrested for murder.

If *The Associate* is entirely unbelievable (it makes *Working Girl* seem like neo-realism), it still has fun parading assorted caricatures. Daly and Bebe Neuwirth obviously relish their roles as different types of yuppie scum.

Daly's Frank is a duplicitous corporate climber with the face of the boy next door and the soul of Machiavelli. Ms. Neuwirth is the kind of slinky, sleep-your-way-to-the-top schemer who gives new meaning to the slogan about power being the ultimate aphrodisiac.

Ms. Wiest is endearing as a pleasant, sleepy-eyed secretary who is a secret powerhouse of wisdom and capability. The movie is nearly stolen by Lainie Kazan as an intrepid gossip columnist named Cindy with a basso profundo voice and bosom to match.

Ms. Goldberg is her usual omnivorously friendly (and, when necessary, bluntly feisty) self, a living breathing smile button, with dreadlocks and smart, dancing eyes.

The Associate is admirably if oddly color blind. There are only two allusions to Laurel's being black, and they are both made in passing.

Movie Listings
for the weekend of November 1

AMC Tilghman 8

Larger Than Life 5:00, 7:20, 9:45, 11:45

Dear God 4:45, 7:30, 10:10, 12:15

Sleepers 4:00, 7:30, 10:30

Bad Moon 6:00, 8:00, 10:00, 12:00

D3 3:00

To Gillian 5:30, 7:40, 9:50, 11:45

The Associate 4:40, 7:10, 9:40, 11:50

The First Wive's Club 5:20, 7:50, 10:15, 12:15

Michael Collins 4:30, 7:40, 10:30

for more information call the theater at 391-0772

Lehigh Valley

That Thing You Do 7:10, 9:30

The First Wive's Club 7:00, 9:20

Romeo & Juliet 7:15, 9:45

Sleepers 7:00, 10:00

Dear God 7:15, 9:40

Bad Moon 7:20, 9:15

The Associate 7:30, 9:50

The Long Kiss Goodnight 7:30, 10:00

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***admissions to AMC is $3.75 with a valid student ID.

***admissions to Lehigh Valley Cinemas is $7.50.

Favorites at the box office

1 Sleepers
2 High School High
3 Thinner
4 The Ghost and the Darkness
5 The First Wive's Club
6 The Associate
7 The Long Kiss Goodnight
8 Michael Collins
9 That Thing You Do
10 D3: The Mighty Ducks

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Gillian features the talented Claire Danes

by Janet Maslen
Syndicate writer

To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday begins with the sight of a couple, David Lewis (Peter Gallagher) and his wife, Gillian (Michelle Pfeiffer), frolicking in the surf. They wear matching khakis and white shirts, looking handsome and misleadingly happy, since Gillian is actually dead.

Two years earlier, celebrating her 35th birthday and wearing the same white and khaki combination, Gillian fell off the mast of the family sailboat while David was at the helm. This sequence, also seen early in the film, makes for one very sad Gap ad indeed.

As is indicated by David's habit of communing with Gillian's great-looking ghost, he has not really gotten on with his life. And Rachel (Claire Danes), the couple's 16-year-old daughter, is feeling the strain. Her father's wacky behavior looks especially out of place in the film's setting, which is supposed to be Nantucket but has a distinctly Californian flavor.

The film's main characters, a group of guests at David's beach cottage, dress in white tie for a formal dinner, perform karaoke numbers and compete in a sand castle building contest in which every specimen looks like the work of a movie studio's art department. Real New Englanders might plant themselves in the path of a hurricane rather than submit to a weekend like this.

As adapted by David E. Kelley (creator of the television series *Picket Fences* and *Chicago Hope*) from the play by Michael Brady, and directed by Michael Pressman (who has directed episodes of both those series), the film brings on a crisis between David and Rachel while everyone marks the anniversary of Gillian's death.

The visitors are Gillian's sister, Esther (Kathy Baker); her wisecracking husband, Paul (Bruce Altman), and a single woman named Kevin (Wendy Crewson), who's been brought along in case David gets over Gillian. "He WILL be all right," Esther insists. "It's just . . . he really loved her."

While Rachel dates a nice boy with nose rings (Freddie Prinze Jr.) and Paul flirts with Rachel's teen-age friend (Laurie Fortier as a Jennifer Aniston wannabe), the film sustains a sentimental seagulls-and-sunsets atmosphere and a perky conversational tone. (Paul: "Honey! Sugar!" Esther: "Stop calling me food.")

It's not easy for the story's tear-jerking potential to be realized when its characters express their pain as if they were writing greeting cards. For instance, Paul asks Esther: "If life were like a big truck, what would be worse — to get run over by it, or have it pass you by?"

The actors don't easily vacillate between the flippant and the sincere. Gallagher has the toughest row to hoe, since David's grief is treated as a comic eccentricity and it is undermined by Gillian's looking none the worse for wear.

Ms. Baker and Ms. Danes, who could easily play mother and daughter, have more straightforward roles and manage to be earnestly good. Ms. Danes is especially expressive in the film's later scenes, demonstrating a rare ability to seem fresh and honest when her material quite clearly is not. Her Rachel has the added advantage of being the character most likely to run away from home.

The Chamber sends the wrong message

by Oliver Gleiberman
courtesy of Universal Press Syndicate

When did good actors get so bad at accents? A decade ago, even those who ridiculed Meryl Streep's obsession with world vocal mannerisms couldn't deny that she got her Aussie vowels and Polish sibilants down pat. Recently, however, performers have been wearing their accents like toupees that keep sliding off. In Surviving Picasso, Anthony Hopkins speaks in a vague pudding of English and Spanish, and now, in THE CHAMBER (Universal, R), the latest huffy legal thriller from the pen of John Grisham, Gene Hackman never quite settles into his fake redneck drawl. Hackman plays a grizzled Deep South racist, a fourth-generation member of the Mississippi Ku Klux Klan. At times, he speaks with mean-varmint gusto, especially when he's talking about "Jew bastards" or hurling an epithet like "son of a bitch" (it comes out "sombitch"). At other times, he sounds just like...Gene Hackman: light, delicate, the voice of ironic refinement.

Hackman's Sam Cayhall is a death row inmate who, in 1967, was convicted of bombing the office of a Jewish civil rights lawyer (the bomb mutilated the lawyer and killed his twin boys). Mississippi state officials are all for sending him to the gas chamber. It will make them look tough on racism—and make the terrorism of the Klan seem locked in the past. But Sam has one last defender: his grandson, Adam Hall (Chris O'Donnell), a progressive young lawyer from up North—the two have never met—who believes that Sam is guilty but intends to rescue him from execution. Sam, as you might guess, hates progressive young lawyers (even if they happen to be related to him). Between poisonous rants, he baits his Yankee relative for not having enough women and blacks in his law firm. At times, he sounds like he's bidding to sit in for John Sununu on Crossfire. But then, it's no coincidence that Sam's viciousness comes and goes (usually in cahoots with his now-you-hear-it, now-you-don't drawl). In The Chamber, the character of Sam Cayhall is a conceit, a bogus concoction—a fellow who's politically sensitive and racist. And that describes the movie as well.

The most egregious film experience I had this past summer was sitting through the hit version of Grisham's A Time to Kill. Beneath its languid summer-and-smoke atmosphere, it was a piece of liberal demagoguery that exploited our sympathy for a grieving black father as a way to get us rooting for bloodthirsty vigilante vengeance. It's creepy, then, to be back so soon with Grisham and the Klan; it's as if he had a nostalgia for the days when racism was this boldly drawn. The Chamber is the least exciting thriller ever adapted from a Grisham novel. It's stodgy and bureaucratic, in part because Chris O'Donnell, as the crusading hero, has one facial expression (his eyes glisten with Stepford righteousness), and also because there's virtually no mystery to uncover. Did Sam, in the fatal bombing, have an accomplice? Did he know when the victim was going to be in his office? As drama, this seems like hairsplitting. But then, the real subject of The Chamber is whether Sam, though guilty, deserves to die. Those of us who are opposed to the death penalty may believe, prima facie, that he doesn't, but the film's agenda is far squirmier. In essence, The Chamber argues against putting Sam to death by mounting an apologia for his racism.

Faced with execution, the scraggly, aging bigot finds a tone of quiet remorse. Gazing at his longtime black prison guard (Bo Jackson), he says, "I want you to know that when I talk about your people...," his voice trailing off. "I hear ya, Sam," comes the reply. Sam, it seems, may hate blacks in the abstract, but deep down he's a nice guy. In court, Adam, having come to understand his grandfather, explains that Sam may have behaved like a monster, but only because it was what he was taught; he's a product of a racist culture. Listening, drop-jawed, to this speech, I thought: It's a good thing this lawyer wasn't around during the Nuremberg trials. Someone like Sam is certainly the product of a racist culture, but does that change what he did? And how does it make him not responsible—especially when, during a flashback, we see him commit a crime far more cold-blooded than the one for which he was convicted? It's one thing to reveal the human face of racism. But The Chamber goes so far toward humanizing bigotry it ends up sentimentalizing it.

Phi Sigma Sigma lends a helping hand

On October 24, the sisters of Phi Sigma Sigma helped the fight against Cystic Fibrosis by participating in "Bowl For Breath." Close to $300 has been raised and donated to the foundation. Other organizations and families participated in the event at Jordan Lanes. Everyone had a great time, even those who were gutter-ball magnets and granny-bowlers. Thank you to everyone who participated and donated money to this worthy cause.

Phi Sigma Sigma held a Greek Gods contest this past week. The fundraiser raised $88 dollars for Phi Sigma Sigma. The sisters ran a table in Seegers Union. There were pictures of a candidate from each fraternity. Voting took place bvy placing money in the jar for the candidate. Jeff Kern of Sigma Phi Epsilon took first place receving $28. Jamie Betzel of AEPi took second place.

Sigma Phi Epsilon sponsors food drive

Sigma Phi Epsilon will be sponsoring a food drive from November 4-22. The food collected will help feed the families at the Sixth Street Shelter this Thanksgiving. Students are asked to donate canned food into the bins. Bins we be located in the following places on campus:

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Sigma Phi Epsilon would like to thank those who participate in this program which will help feed those less fortunate than us during the holiday season.

Stephen King frightens audiences once again with Thrillers

by Brandon Judell

More pedestrian than a crosswalk, less terrifying than a Richard Simmons exercise tape, and more incompetent than the Dole campaign, you sit watching this feature asking yourself, "Why? Why? Why?" If Stephen King signed a piece of used toilet tissue, would that wind up on the screen next?

Basing their screenplay upon a story King wrote under the name Richard Bachman (possibly with good reason) director Tom ("Fright Night") Holland and co-screenwriter Michael ("Beetlejuice") McDowell have come up with a humorless, bland, horrendously acted and directed schlockfest of irksome insipidness.

The tale has Billy Halleck (Robert John Burke), a 300-pound Mafia-defending lawyer, running over a Gypsy woman while his wife is performing oral sex upon him. (There goes the kiddy market.)

Since the judge is his friend and detests Gypsies, and since the arresting officer lies on his behalf, Halleck goes free. But this freedom is not all he hoped it would be, especially after the Gypsy woman's father places a curse upon him and the other corrupt town officials. Halleck immediately starts losing three pounds a day no matter how much he eats, the judge turns into a reptile, and the officer into Elephant Man.

Can Halleck save himself before he becomes so skinny he can model for Calvin Klein? Or should he just get a recording contact and pass himself off as Karen Carpenter reborn?

Well, as everybody knows, the only one who can remove a Gypsy curse is the one who placed it upon the person in the first place, and Tadzu Lempke (Michael Constantine) wants Halleck to suffer. One can only imagine the curse this King of the Gypsies would place on Holland and the rest of the cast of "Thinner," if he were able to step off the screen and watch how he and his family were portrayed:

"Every time you close your eyes, you mind will replay this piece of garbage over and over and over again. Ha ha ha. Just try to sleep, you Gypsy-bashing scum. Just try."

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George Clinton to play Muhlenberg

College to experience first big band

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief
information courtesy of Sony

After much hard work and many setbacks, Muhlenberg College will finally have a big band perform. George Clinton and the P-Funk Allstars will perform in the Life Sports Center this Sunday beginning at 7:30.

Clinton is touring to promote his latest album, *The Awesome Power of a Fully Operational Mothership*, which reunites him with Bootsy Collins, Bernie Worrell, and Junie Morrison. These people will join the performers who have been with George Clinton for the past decade.

Clinton started a band, called the Parliaments, in 1952. In 1956, they cut their first record entitled *A Sunday Kind of Love*. The group produced a few other songs which did not receive much notice.

Clinton began his career in music in 1962 when he took a job in the New York office of Jobete Music, the publishing arm of Motown Records. The following year, he moved to Detroit with a revamped lineup of Parliaments. In Detroit, Clinton began writing and producing a steady stream of material for his own group and other artists including J.J. Barnes, Pat Lewis, and the Fantastic Four.

In 1967, the Parliaments scored hit with *Testify*, written and produced by George Clinton. By this time, Clinton was talking to other people and left the Parliaments and formed a new band called Parliament-Funkadelic, officially started in 1968. In 1969, they released their debut album, *Funkadelic*.

During the seventies, the group released eight new albums with many hits. By 1980, the group had sold well over 10 million albums in the U.S. alone.

In 1982, George Clinton released his first solo album, *Computer Games*; its hit single, *Atomic Dog*, held the #1 R&B position for four weeks. Over the next eleven years, he released five more albums.

Clinton comes to Muhlenberg after a long process to draw a big band. The process began last year when Jen Grant was named chairman of the Big Band Committee.

The committee began to send out bids for a big band. In the meantime, MAC booked Deep Blue Something. The Deep Blue concert, which was supposed to be a small concert in the Garden Room, blew up and became a large performance. Therefore, the Big Band Committee was asked to step in and help run the production.

Grant said, "Deep Blue Something was a very good learning experience for us."

During this time, Ronnie Bergman joined the committee and brought some production expertise that Grant lacked. It was decided Grant would work on the home front and on hospitality while Bergman ran production.

To the disappointment of the committee, no bands were booked last spring. There were problems with scheduling and more work had to be done with administration.

During summer break, Bergman heard that George Clinton was touring and after consulting the Committee, decided to send out a bid. The bid was accepted and the concert date set. It was also determined the opening band would be Too Skinnee J's who come out of New York.

When the academic year began, the preparation did as well. The Big Band Committee wrote a constitution and became the Muhlenberg Concert Board, an independent organization. Grant and Bergman were named co-presidents and Shethir Mustafa the treasurer.

Since then, committees have been formed and heads selected. These have been the people working on everything from ticket sales to security. During the past few weeks, the group has been working to finalize production.

According to Grant, "This production is absolutely huge. There will be over forty band members on stage."

Grant also commented, "This concert is different because we are selling tickets to students from other colleges except Muhlenberg."

Tickets for the concert are still available in the Student Activities Office and will be sold at the door. Tickets are $12 for Muhlenberg students and $18 for students with a LVAIC ID.

The concert is scheduled to begin at 7:30 and doors will open at 6:45.

Consult the Mule.....

Your Weekly Horoscope

by Sherry Lynn Fazio and Jennifer Zwirn
Weekly columnists

Aries (3/21 - 4/20) Well Aries, so you've managed to get yourself into trouble yet again! But don't worry- the good side to messing things up with your friends is the apologizing you now have the opportunity to do! Those who care about you most will forgive and forget time after time but it's perfectly okay and even really nice to show them that you aren't taking advantage of their amazing abilities to understand your faults. You've learned that good friends are hard to find, so remember to let them know you aren't abusing they're compassion for your frequent mess-ups!

Taurus (4/21 - 5/20) Well it seems like you've been trying to decide on something lately. Instead of weighing the pros and cons of it all, why not just go for it?! Listen to your friends when they tell you to have some fun. Sure, it's very mature of you to think everything through completely, however, sometimes you just have to risk it. That's what life is all about- taking risks. A crush you've had could lead to more, so why not find out ASAP? You'll never know until you give it a try. Good Luck!

Gemini (5/21 - 6/21) Hey Gemini...have you ever heard the words materialistic or superficial before? They seem to be perfect adjectives to describe the new you. What happened to that sweet, fun, innocent person that everybody used to know and love? You seem to have realized that a lot of people like you, but you have let it go to your head. Step back and see that it's wonderful to be liked and have a lot of friends, but abusing your popularity is going to lead you straight into a very lonely place.

Cancer (6/22 - 7/22) Cancer, instead of watching people from the sidelines, why not step up and take charge? People seem to be getting credit for things you've done. Why sit back and let that happen? You've got a voice - use it and speak up ! As far as everything else goes, you're right on track. You're doing well in class and you're having a great time in a new activity you've just gotten involved in... that's all well and good but don't forget that when you do something for others, you deserve recognition. Be sure you get it.

Leo (7/23 - 8/22) Alright Leo...we have a news flash for you—this is college. You come here to make some friends, have some fun, and get an education to prepare you for the rest of your life. What have you been thinking lately? You've had enough fun to last you for the rest of your college experience in this semester alone, so how about opening a book or two? It really doesn't hurt and it might even make life a little bit more interesting for you! You, of all people, love to experiment and try new things, so how about it?!

Virgo (8/23 - 9/22) Still worrying about what others think, Virgo? Why do you think this is? You're you, an absolutely remarkable person, so quit fretting about how others see you. If they don't like you for who you are, no matter how hard you try, they'll probably never be too keen on you. The important thing is to keep in mind that you have lots of special qualities that set you apart from everyone else. You ought to be proud of who you are, not distressed about it. Show others that you are one and only!

Libra (9/23 - 10/23) Well Libra, you should officially consider yourself an amazing person! You have been going out of your way for others lately and they have really noticed. So you had a rough couple of weeks...that's okay-everybody goes through their hard times. Sometimes it's necessary to have some trying times because then the good times really stand out and you learn to appreciate them more. You have really made a remarkable transition though, and you should be proud of yourself even if your friends haven't said anything.

Scorpio (10/24 - 11/22) Although you've been feeling a bit down lately, something great has just happened to you and you're finally over your slump. You know you've got a lot going for you whether you see it that way or not. Scorpio, so many people adore you that you often wonder if they know something that you don't. Quit thinking like that- you've got it all together and everyone realizes that. What's wrong with a little pat on the back now and then? You deserve it!

Sagittarius (11/23 - 12/21) Hey Sag, you and your crazy ways are just getting out of hand lately! Yes, you are so unique that others wish they had just one of your ever so special characteristics, however, there is a time and a place for everything. You have been in out of control overload and if you don't take a breather and get a few hours of sleep as well as some studying...you can just assume that your most recent crazy stunt was the last of them. You sure do enjoy life to the fullest, and that is wonderful, but if you want to continue at this pace you need to sit your next college adventure out!

Capricorn (12/22 - 1/20) Hello, Cap! Where have you been lately? Hiding out or something? Perhaps you transferred - that's what your friends think anyway! Well, now is the perfect time to prove them wrong. Look, if you're into your studies, that's great because that is why we're here. However, it wouldn't hurt you every now and then to actually let loose and have some fun. Instead of worrying about projects that haven't even been assigned yet, why not go out with some friends and enjoy yourself?! It'll be a nice change of pace for you.

Aquarius (1/21 - 2/18) Oh, Aquarius, are you having problems again?! What is the deal lately? You finally have your studies under control but in the process of doing this you seem to have lost many of your social graces! Over sensitivity is not really very attractive and you know this so how come you're always on the defense? Lighten up a little, contrary to what you may think...the world is really not out to get you! Honestly, most of the people in your life just want to be your friend...everything isn't a big conspiracy. So just adapt that old easy-going attitude that you used to be so accustomed to and everything will fall into place!

Pisces (2/19 - 3/20) Okay, Pisces, so things don't always go as planned. No need to fret over this forever! How about looking at all the good things that are going on with you lately? Great grades, a crush...what more could you want? How about you just go slow and enjoy yourself instead of concerning yourself with things that are out of your hands. Take things as they come to you- never over anticipate what you can't control. Why waste your breath or time? Keep in mind, if you do your best, then whatever happens is for the best.

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An Outside Perspective

by Mark Koup
Weekly opinion columnist

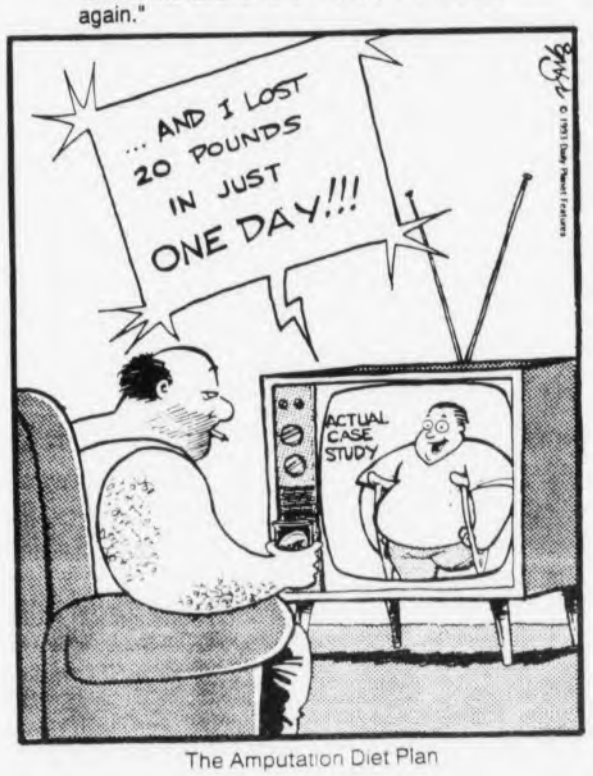
Four years ago, the city of St. Petersburg, Florida, received a B in an evaluation of race relations. On October 25, this image was shattered by looting and violence that injured at least eleven people. The uprising was caused by a black man being shot by a white officer. Once again, racism is alleged against a police force. It doesn't seen to matter that this man was a criminal; he was a victim of racism. I am certainly not advocating police violence, but there has to be a time when people realize that criminals will be held accountable for their crimes, regardless of race.

Thuan Van Tran, a store owner in St. Petersburg, saw his store in ruins. "I think I will be moving away," he said. I've been here two years, and they selected my store to loot and destroy. This was only one victim of many. Hundreds of people roamed the streets, setting fires and throwing bricks at police. The Morning Call reported that two Black-owned businesses were spared on either side of a Vietnamese-owned grocery store. As if the Vietnamese business owner had anything to do with the shooting.

Ironically, the only voice of reason came from the victim's older brother. "My little brother is gone," Roderick Pringles pleaded. "I don't think burning down no buildings is going to bring him back." Roderick is right. The looting and violence only exacerbates an already unstable situation, as well as destroys a city and its people.

When will racism become an issue instead of an excuse? When will we stop hiding behind this facade and accept the underlying problems? I am afraid that, until we confront these issues, incidents like the violence in St. Petersburg are destined to repeat themselves.

"Looks like Grandma is in one of her moods again."



The Amputation Diet Plan

Letters to the Editor

Student attacks Homecoming Court interviews

The Homecoming Court has been a long time tradition at Muhlenberg. I always thought that the students who were nominated and chosen as the King and Queen demonstrated academic achievement, involvement at Muhlenberg, and overall well-roundedness. As a senior, I was more aware of the long and drawn out process of choosing the 1996 Homecoming Court this year. Through conversation with some of the members of this year's court, I was surprised as to the ridiculous and insulting questions that were asked at the interviews of the Top 10 nominees by Muhlenberg's own students and faculty.

The first question that seemed genuinely insulting asked the nominee what type of animal would you want to be and why. Although this question may require one to think creatively and on their feet, it fails to allow a student the opportunity to demonstrate any of their intelligence, talents, or interests that encompass what a Court should represent.

The other question that was totally inappropriate was said to have come from a male student. The question set up a scenario where the candidate was a puppy in a pet store with a human vocabulary, and asked each person to sell themselves. Particularly for the female nominees I find this inappropriate and degrading.

It was uncomfortable for those students who had to sit in the room and be asked these ridiculous questions, and it is pathetic to think that this is the best that Muhlenberg students and faculty could come up with. Little to no inquiry was made about personal growth and achievement while at Muhlenberg, or even plans for the future.

I am not sure if these types of questions were unique to this year, or if they are typical of past years. Regardless, I hope in the future that those involved with the interview process can put a little more time and thought into the questions they ask the nominees. After all, a Homecoming Court represents the ideals of Muhlenberg, so too should the process through which they are selected.

Sincerely,
Paige Morris '96

Dean responds to *USA Today* report

The front-page story about the greater weight being given to the SAT on some college campuses carries disturbing news ("Test critics decry trend" News, Friday).

In weighing the SAT more heavily than high school records, colleges are flying in the face of all data available about the best predictor of academic success in college.

Virtually every responsible study undertaken in the United States indicates the high school record is the single best predictor of academic success in college. This is despite varying strengths and grading practices of high schools across the nation.

If the fact that high schools may be sending a greater variety of transcripts, as the story says, means that some colleges are going to weigh the SAT more heavily in the admissions process, those colleges are substituting one flawed predictor for another. The SAT is far from a standardized test- and that is its greatest flaw. True, it provides a handy number that is easy to compare from one student to another. But it has been proved to be susceptible to coaching, giving affluent students an advantage, and to be demographically driven- certain groups of students score better as a group than others.

Psycho-educational experts caution that intelligence is not something like height that can reduced to a single number. The SAT is convenient for colleges and provides a handy rationale for admissions decisions. But is an exceedingly blunt instrument which can leave a lot of students at a huge disadvantage.

Colleges have a responsibility to do more than what is convenient and expedient. We have a responsibility to do what we ask our students to do- look hard at the data, think critically and get beyond easy, superficial approaches to decision making.

Sincerely,
Dean Hooker-Haring

Editor's Note: The following letter by Muhlenberg's own Dean Chistopher Hooker-Haring was published in Monday's edition of *USA Today*. The letter was written in response to an article which said many colleges were returning to an admissions formula which relied heavily on the SAT test due to the inconsistency of grades from school to school.

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Field Hockey season closes with loss to Bryn Mawr

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

The Muhlenberg Women's Field Hockey team ended the 1996 campaign with a 3-1 loss to Bryn Mawr. The loss snapped the team's 6 game winning streak.

The team suffered a key injury in pregame warm-up. First-year player Becky Pierotti took a ball of the chin and was sidelined for the game.

In the first half, Bryn Mawr came out firing. Coach Lauire Kerr said, "They came out more aggressive. They moved the ball extremely well. We let them dictate play."

After trailing 2-0 at the half, the Lady Mules came out and controlled play. Christy Rudderow scored a goal in the 2nd, pulling the Lady Mules within one.

However, Bryn Mawr would prove to be too much. With 3:07 remaining in regulation, Bryn Mawr notched in an insurance goal to ice the game.

The loss drops the Mules to 7-8 overall and 4-5 in the Centennial Conference. The team improved from their 4-13 overall and 1-8 in the conference. Kerr said, "The team made great progress this year. We showed much more confidence and a better ability of playing as a team toward the end of the season."

Coach Kerr also added, "It was tough for us early on in the season because we had 14 new players and only 10 returning players. It takes time for the players to learn one another's styles."

The team is very young. Graduating only three seniors, the team will have many of the same players back for next year. Returning will be junior co-captain Christy Rudderow. With her goal on Saturday, Rudderow moved to seventh place on Muhlenberg's all-time scoring leader. She has 28 career goals. For the season, she had 12 goals and 6 assists for a total of 30 points. Those 30 points also gave her the Centennial Conference scoring title.

"We return a good nucleus. We have a lot of fixable mistakes that caused our losses early in the year. If we can bond as a team and get that team chemistry going early, we will have a very good season next year.", Coach Kerr said of next year's hopes.

As for a prediction for next year, Coach Kerr says, "The foundation is set. We are moving in the right direction. We can build upon winning 6 of our last 7 games. With a good recruiting class, we should hit double-digit wins."

Cross Country team runs at Centennial championship

by Scott Burke
Weekly Sports Writer

On Saturday, October 26, the 1996 Centennial Conference Championship meet was held at Gettysburg College in Gettsyburg, Pennsylvania.

Running amid a field of regionally ranked teams several of the Mule harriers ran personal best times.

Though the course was grassy and fairly flat, the torrential rains earlier in the week made the grass slick and treacherous. Large puddles formed on the turf, the dirt turned into a thick mud that by the time the runners finished, covered their exhausted legs.

"You really needed a good sense of managing the course," said Head Coach Linda Andrews.

The Men began the day at eleven a.m. "Runners take your marks," called the officials, as the men prepared to take their first strides over the 8,000 meter course. The eight teams lined up across the width of the track.

Each team's four fastest runners stood shoulder to shoulder, forming a long row of
runners. Behind them lined up the team's other three runners.

The tension built, and then the gun fired, and they were off. At high noon, the women repeated this scene, running a 5,000 meter course.

The Muhlenberg men finished ninth overall. Senior, Co-Captain, and Runner of the Week Steve Smullin led the Mules, finishing forty-seventh with a 29:36. Freshman Aaron Bova came in next for Muhlenberg, fifty-second overall (30:09).

Immediately following were junior Peter Dunlaevy (30:13), and junior James Batzel (30:15). Junior Josh McHale (31:13) rounded out the top five, whose place scores
count towards the team total, followed quickly by junior Frank Scholes (31:17), senior Co-Captain Tom Bailey (31:19), junior Neal Sheridan (31:29), junior Samir Pandya (32:04), sophomore Matt Hayn (32:43),
senior John Rossini (33:03), and sophomore David Brightbill (33:04).

The Muhlenberg women claimed eighth place honors. Freshman Elissa Murphy, running a season-best 21:03, led the team, finishing in twenty-fourth place. Sophomore Sue Van Riper (22:17) was forty-eighth. Freshman Lauren Weisenberger came in next for the Cardinal and Grey, fifty-second, and also a season-best 22:31. Freshman Cindy Bredefelt was fourth for the team (54th, 22:52), followed by
senior and Captain Sue Borek. Borek ran a career-best 23:31, and was named Runner of the Week.

Sophomore Katy duFosse ran a 24:14, followed in quick succession by sophomore Lori Bennet (24:57), freshman Jennie Love (25:05), and sophomore Jackie Miners (25:11).

Haverford College, last year's champion in both the Men's and Women's runs, successfully defended their crown.

The Muhlenberg runners have the next week off, and will conclude their season on Saturday, November Ninth at Dickinson College for the NCAA Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships.

The field, comprised of schools from Maryland, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey, will number well into the hundreds.

However, the Dickinson course is well-known to the Mules, having raced there previously in the season.

"In the Conference we ran as well as we could," said Coach Andrews. "In the regionals, you're going to see some better results."

Women's soccer splits in their final season matchups

by Scott Burke
Weekly Sports Writer

On October 26, the 1996 Women's Soccer Team closed their season at home with a match against the Green Terrors of Western Maryland.

It had been a busy week for the team. On Wednesday they traveled to Swarthmore, where they fought to a 1-1 draw. The next day they took the long busride up to Albright College. There the Mule offense kicked into high gear, speeding three goals past the Albright netminder, while Mule keeper Jackie Vanderstreet, a sophomore, joined with the Mule defense lead by Captains Tina Rauchut, a Senior, and Laurie Kennedy, a junior, to blank yet another opponent.

So the Saturday afternoon was a true homecoming for the team. The sky was blue, the sun was warm, a crowd packed the bleachers at Varsity field. Thrilling the fans, the Mules exploded into the game straight from the opening kick-off.

Senior Jill Hoffman, a forward and four-year member of the Muhlenberg Soccer program, blasted down the field, and netted a goal in the first fifty-eight seconds of play. This was Jill's last soccer game wearing the Cardinal and Gray, ending her career in grand style.

The Mules continued to build on this early excitement, badgering the Western Maryland defense, Yet the Green Terrors held strong, showing as much heart and determination as their Mule opponents.

The Muhlenberg offense, showing renewed vigor throughout October, continued to generate scoring chances and opportunities, with fast breaks, corner kicks, and skillful ball control in tight positions.

The Midfield, Captained by junior Denise Diorio, was instrumental in advancing the ball toward the Western Maryland net.

Midfielder and Senior Kendra Kern played her usual energetic game, making key
plays in vital situations.

Many individuals contributed to the dominating success of the squad in the first half, but the main cause of their early terrorizing of Western Maryland was the way the Mules played as a team.

The numerous scoring chances were all generated by the smooth interaction of defense, midfield, and forwards.

The precise passing, the able ball control showed a team of almost mechanical balance, moving the ball up
the field like a well-oiled machine.

The second half started calmly. Muhlenberg pressed, but Western Maryland came back hard.

There were fifteen minutes of back and forth play contained to the midfield. Then Western Maryland began to turn up the juice.

With thirty-two minutes left to play, a Western Maryland break put one of the Green in front of the goal, but Jackie Vanderstreet, a sophomore, was there to make the big save and stop a
score.

Vanderstreet punted the ball to the midfield line, but Western Maryland gained possession again, drove down the field, kicked a powerful shot dead-on net, but Vanderstreet got in front of it again, stopping another sure score.

Western Maryland was not to be denied. At 18:48 a perfectly placed shot went high, just below the crossbar, impossible to save. Two minutes later they scored again, on a fortunate rebound off the crossbar, right back to a Western Maryland player who put it in, making the score 2 goals for Maryland, 1 for Muhlenberg.

Showing great character, the 'Berg refused to quit. They made runs and created chances till the
final buzzer.

Yet Western Maryland played a tight defense, employing a deep sweeper made famous by the great Italian World Cup teams years ago and now widespread in the Centennial Conference and across the soccer world.

And so the Mules concluded a busy week, with a big win over Albright, a tie at Swarthmore, and a loss to Western Maryland.

Mules shot down by Bullets 27-9

Football team loses to Gettysburg at homecoming

by Benjamin David
Weekly Sports Writer

On Saturday, 3,217 students, alumni, faculty and visitors looked on while the Mules fell to visiting Gettysburg.

As it was homecoming weekend here at Muhlenberg, many had hoped that the home team would find a way to upset their conference rivals.

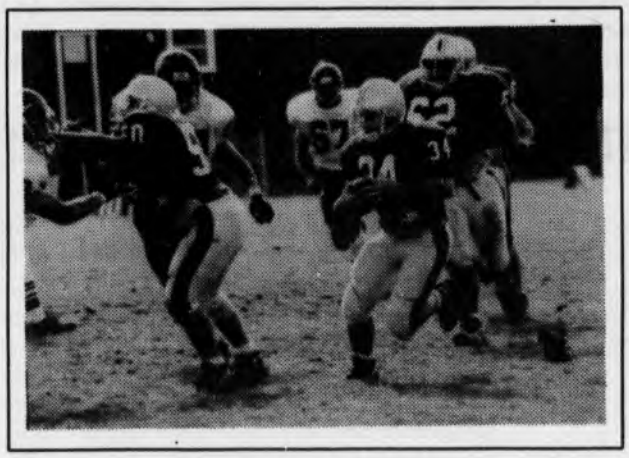
It was not to be, however, as the Mules' record slipped to a dreary 1-6. Final score: Gettysburg 27 Muhlenberg 9.

The manner in which this game evolved had many hoping and many even believing that the Mules would prevail.

Refer to the offense's stats on the day and one quickly realizes what a valiant effort it was indeed.

After all, the Mule offense produced an extraordinary 21 first downs.

Moreover, their offensive attack averaged over 5 yards per play on the day.



One might cite Kenyamo McFarlane as Saturday's offensive standout.

As a receiver, McFarlane has averaged over 20 yards per catch. His future certainly looks promising.

Once again, however, as has been the case time and time again, they failed to capitalize when capitalizing was necessary.

On the other side of the ball dwells this team's dependable defense. They proved themselves yet again on Saturday against Gettysburg.

Led by the likes of Jim Socci, Dan Terpstra, Justin Trakimas, Steven Brady, Jason Novak and Lionel Hush, this defensive unit has troubled opposing offensive attacks all season long and Saturday was no exception.

Despite various impressive individual efforts, the team as a whole is still plagued by turnovers. The offense continues to lose the ball when they cannot afford to lose the ball.

The defense fails to recover the ball when they cannot afford not to recover the ball.

So turnovers seem to be their major shortcoming as a team. It is no secret that these turnovers can and often are the difference between a win and a loss.

Next week they travel to Ursinus College. Ursinus has proven themselves to be among the conference's toughest squads.

This tough squad will surely test the Mules' offense and defense all day long.

So the season is slowly nearing its end. After Ursinus comes Carnegie Mellon and after them comes Moravian.

With three games left, Muhlenberg is striving for a respectable finish.

Apparently, things seem to finally be coming together. Many are now arguing that the draught may soon be over.

Receiver Paul Peri notes that, "Our future looks pretty bright. There is no doubt that we are an improved team." Only time will tell.

Soccer team struggles for playoff berth

Mules held scoreless in two consecutive games

by Seth Leichter
Weekly Sports Writer

On the bubble. This term is used with great frequency as the regular season closes and the playoffs take the stage.

The Muhlenberg soccer team is on the bubble of making the playoffs.

They have an 8-4-3 record overall and are 4-1-1 in the Centennial Conference.

Their conference record is a big asset, but against nationally ranked teams they boast a deplorable 0-3-1 mark.

This past week, the men's Muhlenberg soccer team took the field against #13 Rowan last Wednesday and traveled to Maryland on Saturday to lock horns with Washington.

On Wednesday, the Mules were blanked by a tough Rowan squad. The team lost a considerable amount of speed from last year's squad and to compensate must control the ball and the overall tempo to be successful.

Controlling is difficult when players are trying to do too much by themselves.

In soccer, possession equals momentum and without momentum it is very hard for any team to excel.

The Mules could have easily beaten them, but an inability to string together some passes and costly turnovers led to two Rowan tallies.

The first of the two goals came as a result of a brilliant counterattack by Rowan in which the Mule defense was being overlapped by the Rowan offenders.

On the second goal, the Rowan forwards freed themselves from the stingy Muhlenberg defense to net the insurance goal off of a fast break.

The team fared better against Washington on Saturday. The Mules have never lost to Washington if they want to make the playoffs, "they have to put it to them," according to Coach Tipping.

The Mules were clicking on all cylinders Saturday against Washington.

They were stringing passes together, switching the fields, out hustling and winning loose balls.

Their defense was very solid and they were controlling the midfield. Their ability to control the tempo led to many scoring chances via throw-ins, corner kicks, and crosses.

The game lasted 120 minutes, and the score remained dead-locked at 0-0, and extended the Mule scoreless streak to two games. The team needed a win desperately, but the tie turned out not to be that bad because Messiah has lost three straight after the Mules held them scoreless on the unfriendly confines of Varsity Field.

Coach Tipping was pleased with the team's performance on Saturday, commenting that the team kept their composure and did not get disheartened after a multitude of missed scoring opportunities.

The team has four games left in the regular season in which they hope to squeeze into a playoff spot.

The Mules will go into battle with Haverford and Swarthmore this week.

Haverford is inconsistent, but uses an abnormal formation with two wings that line up very wide and creates holes in opposing team's defenses.

The Mules will switch to a 3-4-3 formation to compensate for the wide wing men.

Swarthmore has a low winning percentage this year, but are always difficult, especially away.

Let's cross our fingers and hope that they can step it up in crunch time and come out with a playoff spot.

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Delta Tau Delta fraternity to be colonized

by Michael Geller
Weekly staff writer

On Friday, November 15, Delta Tau Delta fraternity will officially become colonized. DTD alumni and brothers from Lehigh, Moravian, University of Pennsylvania, and Penn State will attend the ceremony and lend their support to the budding group. Following the ceremony , on Sunday the seventeenth, the newly colonized brothers will attend a nationally sponsored retreat. This retreat will be held at Muhlenberg and will provide a chance for the brothers to get together and learn more about the history, policies, and traditions of Delta Tau Delta.

Not only has DTD earned its colonization through hard work and determination but it has also successfully received support for expansion from the IFC. In reference to the IFC support, DTD President Josh Bittner said "I'm pleased to see we have the support of the four current fraternities on campus. Their commitment to us shows their willingness to further strengthen the Greek system at Muhlenberg."

Senior Dave Stabile was first struck with the idea to start DTD here at Muhlenberg after being impressed by the chapter at Arizona State University. Along with the help of fellow senior Sean Rubin, as well as Mark Morrison and Mike Stabile (both sophomores), the idea slowly became more concrete: the appropriate regional and national boards were consulted, an application was submitted, and enthusiastic interest was generated. Part of the driving force behind this whole involved process was the attitude that our school needed an another option for would-be fraternity brothers. Some students only think about pledging and do not choose to go through with it, on the grounds that they did not lean toward any of the fraternities currently active. Delta Tau Delta represents another choice, one that the new members feel very positive about.

Delta Tau Delta already has thirty members and is currently attempting to take an active role on the Muhlenberg campus and the Lehigh Valley community as a whole. Their first community service project, lead by their community service chairmen Jeff Brydzinski and Chris Patti, will be their involvement in the Adopt-A-School Project with the Lehigh Parkway Elementary School. Through this program, the DTD new members will get the chance to tutor students. This experience will hopefully set the foundation for establishing a serious and positive relationship with Muhlenberg and the community.

Following the Adopt-A-School Project, DTD will participate in the Greeks' Make-A-Difference Day on

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George Clinton and the P-Funk Allstars cater to college crowd

photo by Paige Morris

George Clinton at his Muhlenberg performance on Sunday, Nov. 3

Third Party Congressional candidates speak to Muhlenberg campus

by Heather Brown
News Editor

Muhlenberg College's Political Awareness Committee has hosted a series of several lectures and speeches over the past six weeks revolving around Tuesday's election. This series, the Countdown to Election '96, featured all four candidates for election in the 15th Congressional District, a *Washington Post* political reporter, and several political authors.

Last week's session was the Third Party Forum, and featured speakers from the Natural Law, Green Libertarian, and Reform parties. Each speaker gave a summation of his or her party's platform. The floor then opened to questions from the audience. Finally, each speaker concluded with a brief recap of his or her political ideals.

Phillip Faust, the Natural Law Candidate for the 15th Congressional District, was the first to speak. Faust called the Natural Law Party the fastest growing Grass Roots party in America. The idea behind the Natural Law Party is to utilize the best programs and people in government , regardless of political affiliation.

Faust's party emphasizes prevention-oriented government rather than having to rely on crisis management. Faust termed these preventative programs "efficient and cost-effective", for he maintains that they simultaneously improve government programs, reduce taxes, and fight the deficit.

The Green Party representative was Greta Brown. Brown began with a history of the Green Party. The party was founded twenty years ago in Germany. It was formed to spread information on the dangers of pollution and nuclear power to people, animals, and the environment.

In the United States, the Greens formed in the early 1980's. They were involved in community projects and legislative practices to promote human rights and environmental safety. The party was locally organized in 1991 as a result of the Gulf War.

Brown described the Green Party as a way "to connect ourselves to a love for our land. Whereas technology is useful, we should also question its power." Brown urged those in attendance to live as if the seventh generation matters as much as our generation; to live for our children, grandchildren, and all those who come after us.

Ken Sturzenacker represented the Libertarian Party in last week's session. Sturzenacker is the state chairman of the Pennsylvania Libertarian Party. He explained that the goal of libertarians is to reduce the size, cost and power of government.

He claimed that a democracy should be a society in which people have liberty to make individual choices. With this freedom, however, citizens need to accept responsibility for their actions. Sturzenacker maintained that "as long as actions do not interfere with others and are legally correct, government nor anyone else should interfere with you and your actions or choices."

The final speaker was Nick Sabatine, the Reform Party Candidate for Congress. The Reform Party stems from questions regarding the national debt. The main platforms of the Reform Party are to define the fiscal responsibility of the government and to initiate democratic reform of government.

The means through which the government's fiscal policy should be redefined, according to Sabatine, are privatizing Social Security, drastically reducing government spending, and instituting real tax and Medicare reform.

All the speakers made a plea for the audience to research and get involved in a Third Party. Sturzenacker claimed that the role of third parties was to move things from the center. These parties have traditionally taken a stand that means something, and they have leverage.

The final lecture in the Countdown to Election '96 series will be held in Trumbower 130 on Tuesday, November 12 at 7:30 p.m. Ken Walsh, White House correspondent, and author of Feeding the Beast will be the featured speaker.

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News Digest

compiled by Alice Chumard

GM's chairman and the UAW's president joined contract talks yesterday as the two sides haggled over GM's push to reduce its hourly work force. Meanwhile, the union's effort to organize companies opening new non-union plants is mostly failing.

A Brazilian jetliner crashed in a residential area of Sao Paulo, killing all 95 aboard and setting fires that claimed at least eight lives on the ground. The Fokker-100, operated by the regional airline TAM, crashed about a mile from the airport from which it took off on a flight to Rio de Janeiro. Authorities had no theory about the cause.

Yeltsin's doctors said the Russian president's heart bypass surgery can occur "within days," but gave no exact date. A Moscow radio station said the operation would take place today, but it gave no basis for the report. The decision, made after consultations by Yeltsin's doctors with a top U.S. heart specialist.

Candidates made their final appeals for votes ahead of today's elections. The last days of the race saw a role reversal for the leading presidential contenders, with Dole embarked on a loosely scheduled, round-the-clock campaign marathon and Clinton's organization marked by corporate efficiency. The president's lead in California has narrowed to 11 points, according to a poll by the independent Field Institute. A previous survey had him 18 points ahead.

South Africa's Tutu threatened to quit the commission investigating apartheid-era crimes unless officials of the ruling African National Congress admit to their role in the atrocities of the period.

Britain's Labor Party chief said he would do all he could to force early national elections, which must be called in any case by May 22. Blair's remarks came after a Conservative lawmaker died Sunday, leaving the Tories' one-vote majority in peril.

South Korea's president announced a new anticorruption drive after his defense minister, sacked last week, was arrested for taking bribes. Meanwhile, 16 students drew prison terms in the third mass sentencing in a week arising from a protest in August.

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Campus Safety Notes

Hate crime committed against gay members of community

10-28-96 - Suspicious persons - off-campus residence - white male 5' 7", gray hair 40 years old and a taller white man with broader shoulders and brown hair gelled back

10-28-96 - Fire Alarm - Gordon Street - cooking

10-28-96 - Ethnic Intimidation/Hate Crime - Prosser Basement - poster on door that said, "I'm too cute to be gay" had card that read "Die fag!" attached to it.

10-28-96 - Information - Repossession - vehicle at Chew Street

10-29-96 - Found property - Brown - stray poodle

10-30-96 - Theft from car - Chew Street - tire

10-30-96 - Harassment by Communications - Prosser

10-31-96 - Theft - Center for the Arts - lime green and brown silk jacket

10-31-96 - Alcohol violation - Benfer lot

11-1-96 - Criminal and Malicious Mischief - between Walz and Brown - stolen golf cart

11-1-96 - Unauthorized person - ATO - White/Hispanic, 5' 5"-5' 7" black hair parted in the middle, went by the name of Marco

11-1-96 - Suspicious person - white male 5' 10" light brown crew cut

11-1-96 - Vandalism to vehicle 26th and Chew Street lot - eggs on vehicle

11-1-96 - Information - off campus - harassment from neighbor

11-1-96 - Alcohol Violation - Walz

11-2-96 - Vandalism - East Hall - window broken and screen torn

11-2-96 - Injured Student - Campus Safety Headquarters

11-3-96 - Alcohol Violation - Front Drive

11-3-96 - Alcohol Violation - ATO

11-3-96 - Disorderly conduct - Benfer Hall - arrested was George Aiken

11-3-96 - Vandalism - Hillside - locks damaged

11-3-96 - Vandalism - Walz - mirror smashed by pumpkin

11-3-96 - Theft - Martin Luther parking lot - license plate stolen

11-3-96 - Vandalism - Martin Luther parking lot - headlight broken

11-3-96 - Vandalism - East Archway - broke into vending machine

11-4-96 - Theft - Liberty Street - license plate

11-4-96 - Theft - Unknown - green parking sticker stolen

11-4-96 - Harassment by Communications - Prosser Hall

11-4-96 - Drunken Disorderly - Memorial Hall

If anyone has any information on any of these incidents, please call Campus Safety at x3110.

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AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM KEN LUPOLE DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS SAFETY

MOM AND DAD ALWAYS SAID LOOK BOTH WAYS BEFORE CROSSING CHEW STREET THE LIFE YOU SAVE COULD BE YOUR OWN

Traffic along Chew Street is becoming an increasing problem. Cars are not observing the speed limit and students often walk before looking both ways.

The College is investigating with city and state officials further steps that can be taken to address potential safety hazards. This includes consideration of additional signage and crosswalk signals. In the meantime, nothing is more important in our campus living and learning environment than the personal safety of each individual. We urge your full attention as you walk or drive on this busy street.

1. **Please use designated crosswalks.** State law indicates that drivers of vehicles shall yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within any marked crosswalk. However, as you know, **this is frequently not observed by drivers in this state, especially along Chew Street**. For this reason, pedestrians are urged to exercise extreme care even at crosswalks.

♦ Stop, Look Both Ways ♦

2. State law also indicates that pedestrians crossing a roadway at any point other than within a crosswalk shall **yield the right-of-way to vehicles**.

3. Pedestrians are urged **not to suddenly leave a curb** or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close as to constitute a hazard.

4. Drivers are reminded that the **posted speed limit is 25 MPH**. We will encourage the Allentown Police Department to cite violators of this and other traffic ordinances.

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Consult the Mule...

Your *Weekly* Horoscope

by Sherry Lynn Fazio and Jennifer Zwirn
Weekly columnists

Aries (3/21-4/19) You know Aries, it is kind of out of character for you to learn something the hard way and then make the mistake twice. However, you have recently decided to ignore the negative effects of your actions because you don't like them. Well we're here to tell you that life doesn't work that way. If you do something that's bad for you than you're going to feel pain inevitably. You're a smart person, Aries, use your head and stop beating yourself up due to your recent lack of self-control and you just might have a more pleasant future.

Taurus (4/20-5/20) So life has been pretty nice for you lately, eh?! Something you were looking forward to went even better than anticipated. You've got every right to be psyched, Taurus! Listen up though, don't wait for someone to else to make the next move. Things only happen when you make then happen. They might not know how you feel. Instead of letting this great opportunity pass by, take the initiative, Taurus. Show them how certain and headstrong a bull can be.

Gemini (5/21-6/20) Okay Gemini, so you've finally seen the light and are beginning to realize how ridiculous you've been acting. You're starting to see, though, that during your recent phase of materialism, you may have lost a few of the people dearest to your heart. Now is the hard part where you have to clean up everything you unconsciously made such a mess of before. It's ok though...you're perfectly capable...it's character building and you could use a little of that right now anyway!

Cancer (6/21-7/22) Well, you sure have been enjoying yourself lately. It's about time that you finally learned how to have fun! That's great and all, but when will you actually sit down and get to work? It's more than halfway through the semester and that means you're running out of time to bring those grades up. Come on, Cancer- get your act together. After you hit the books, just think of all the fun you can have to reward yourself.

Leo (7/23-8/22) So Leo, a smile seems to be hanging around your face lately and it sure is about time! It is so nice to see you happy because this is an emotion which seems to have been away for too long! So relish in your newfound happiness...enjoy the leaves falling and the birds chirping and how nice it feels to wake up with excitement for the new day. It's wonderful that you are finally taking advantage of some of the things that life has to offer. Enjoy yourself.

Virgo (8/23-9/22) You've been on cloud nine lately, haven't you?! Just be sure that your head doesn't become permanently attached to the sky. Sometimes when we're so happy and content with everything we see through rose-colored glasses. You've learned that some things are worth waiting for...but be sure you keep both eyes open. Be honest with yourself and others so that you don't lose hold of what you've finally managed to get and also make sure you don't neglect everything else too.

Libra (9/23-10/22) Libra, is anything ever right with you? Here's a new thought for you to ponder today...how about focusing on everything you have instead of everything you're lacking right now. You have so much going for you but perhaps it will take one of those wonderful friends you have to point this out! Once you begin concentrating on the exciting parts of your life, you will see past all your recent complaints...just try it out!!

Scorpio (10/23-11/21) So, Scorpio, it looks as though you have a very important decision dangling around your head this week. What exactly are you going to do? Whatever you choose, keep in kind that everything happens for a reason whether it's good or bad. Either way, if something doesn't kill you then it makes you stronger. Also, someone is watching you, and they're hoping you've noticed. Due to your busy schedule, though, it seems like you're oblivious to the world! Open your eyes- you don't want to miss something!

Sagittarius (11/22-12/21) Okay Sagittarius- it is now the perfect time to stop taking every little thing in life so utterly serious. It really isn't necessary to analyze every syllable of your friends' sentences- there isn't a big conspiracy out to get you. You have been on the defense lately and people are starting to wonder about you. Just take everything with a grain of salt and relax. Nobody has it in for you...but if you keep this attitude up than you'll definitely have it in for yourself.

Capricorn (12/22-1/19) Well this is a turn of events for you, Cap. You've actually finished all your work and are finally free to enjoy all the fun here! Do you even know what to do with yourself?! As sad enough as it is to say, you have missed a lot during your recent incidence of academic solitude. You are one of the few who realize the importance of your education, but you tend to overlook the relaxation and fun after your studying is done. Enjoy your free time- you deserve it!

Aquarius (1/20-2/18) Hey Aquarius...don't be so quick to judge lately! Everybody isn't perfect, yet sometimes your standards are in the sky and it's hard to even reach your expectations. Try lowering your standards just a little so somebody can be worthy of your friendship. Everybody has their faults and it's important to overlook the little flaws of our friends in order to see the good aspects they have to offer. If you want to expand your circle of friends try seeing past the negative and focusing on the positive...and before you know it your phone will be ringing off the hook!

Pisces (2/19-3/20) Well Pisces, you've recently become quite the little joiner! You're awfully quick to jump at the chance to do something, huh? Your enthusiasm is greatly appreciated by many, but sometimes you'd be better off by just sitting back and letting others take charge. It's ok if you aren't member of the month in every club you join- it's more important to devote all your energy into a few things. Whenever you attempt too many things at once, nothing is accomplished successfully. Don't spread yourself too thin and just focus on the few things that you enjoy. You'll probably be better off that way.

If you birthday is this week... Take some time off to smell the roses and enjoy all of the good things around you. You have been working extremely hard at so many things that you need to remind yourself what it means to have some fun at college. Spend some time with friends and take it easy.

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John Moletress '99, will play the part of Master of Ceremonies, one of three leads in "Cabaret", which opens this weekend.

"Cabaret," the brash American musical based on John van Druten's play, opens November 8 at 8 PM and continues through November 17 in the Empie Theatre.

The musical is the dark and emotional story of a young American novelist, Cliff Bradshaw) played by Eric Werner '97), and his troubled relationship with English night-club hostess Sally Bowles (played by Amy Armstrong '99). Set in 1930 in a German night club, the play follows the couple through the seedy underworld where love and nationalism clash on the brink of a world war. As the Nazi's grow in power, life in the Kit Kat Club becomes more decadent and escapist, careening toward an unforgettable climax.

Directing "Cabaret" is Charles Richter, head of Muhlenberg's theatre arts department. Karen Dearborn, director if the dance program, designed original choreography. The faculty artistic staff producing the show also includes set and lighting design by Tim Averill, costume coordination by Jeff Kinard, and musical direction by Ken Butler.

"Cabaret" was a smash hit as one of the first concept musicals when it opened on Broadway during the 1966-1967 season. It returned to New York in 1097, after significant revisions to the script, and has continued to earn acclaim as an intriguing and difficult work.

Tickets are still available for November 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 for the evening performances and November 17 for the afternoon show. For reservations, call the box office at 821-3333.

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	The Associate 5:10, 7:30, 9:50
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	First Wives 4:40, 7:00, 9:20
Bad Moon 6:00, 8:00, 9:50	
	Romeo & Juliet 4:45, 7:15, 9:45
The Associate 4:40, 7:10, 9:20	
To Gillian 5:30, 7:30, 9:30	Dear God 4:50, 7:15, 9:40
First Wives 5:20, 7:50, 10:00	Sleepers 3:15, 7:00, 10:00
Michael Collins 5:30, 8:30	Bad Moon 5:15, 7:10, 9:15
admission to AMC Theatres is $3.75 with student ID.	admission to Lehigh Valley Cinema is $7.50

Sig Ep sponsors food drive

Currently, the brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon are organizing a food drive. The food collected will be donated to the Sixth Street Shelter to help those in need during the holiday season. Those who wish to help and donate canned goods can deposit the food in bins located in Seegers Union, the residence halls, Ettinger, and the Community Service Office. Food will be collected until Friday, November 22. Thank you, in advance, to everyone who made a donation.

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Coach has the right stuff

"We kicked their a**es was Coach Barry Switzer's response to his Dallas Cowboy's victory over the Philadelphia Eagles in the playoffs of 1995. This quote has provided an inspiration for Eagle's coach Ray Rhodes to rally his team for the two meetings with Dallas this year. Finally, on November 3, it was Rhodes' turn to gloat. His Eagles had emerged victorious. Not only was he graceful in victory, Rhodes told Switzer that he looked forward to meeting the Cowboys again this year, insinuating that the Cowboys will turn around their downward spiral and make the playoffs.

Ray Rhodes has one mission in his life. He wants the Eagles to win a Superbowl. That is what drives him to succeed, and his honest and driven approach is wearing off on his players. Free agents want to play for the Eagles simply because they want Rhodes as their coach.

I believe Rhodes will be covered with Gatorade and hoisting up a Superbowl trophy within the next few years. The man simply refuses to quit, and will not accept losing. I wish I had the work ethic and the desire to succeed that Rhodes possesses.

The Cowboys have basically owned the Superbowl throughout the 1990's. I think this is going to change. The Cowboys are an aging team with a coach that isn't fit to wash Rhodes' car, and they are about to be surpassed. You can bet when Rhodes' day arrives, he will be graceful in victory, will not degrade his opponent, and on his way home from the Superbowl, he will be devising a plan to win the trophy again the next year.

An Outside Perspective
by Mark Koup

I disagree with Rhodes on one point. I don't think the Cowboys have the desire or motivation to even make the playoffs this year. This may invoke a smile from Rhodes, although we'll never see that come out until the trophy is over his head. I can't think of a coach in football more deserving, and his time is coming near.

Yanks put magic back in baseball

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previous four Cy Young awards. At the plate, 19-year old phenom Andruw Jones hit two home runs for Atlanta in game 1 to defeat New York. In game 2, Maddux shutout the Yankees and all but shattered the Yankees dream of a championship.

With the Yankees reeling off of the two straight losses, the Series moved to Atlanta, and the Yankees put their hopes of a championship in the hands of ace David Cone as he took the mound to try and shut down the Braves and hope the Yankees can produce some offense. Cecil Fielder, Derek Jeter, Charlie Hayes and Darryl Strawberry sparked a club in need of some runs. Solid pitching by Cone and relievers David Weathers, Jeff Nelson, Brian Boehringer, Graeme Lloyd, along with stopper Rivera and closer Wetteland, the Yankees won games three and four.

In game 5, the Braves jumped out to a 6-0 lead into the fifth inning. The Yankees battled back with a three-run 6th and a game-tying 3-run home run by catcher Jim Leyritz in the eighth. The Yankees went on to win in the 11th inning by a score of 8-6. This put the Yankees in the driver's seat with only one more step to climb before becoming champions.

A.L. Cy Young Award winner Andy Pettite versus N.L. Cy Young Award winner John Smoltz for the World Championship. It just doesn't get any better than that. The Yankees struck first and it turned out to be all that they would need to clinch the title.

In the second inning, Smoltz gave up an RBI triple to catcher Joe Girardi, and the next batter, Rookie of the Year, Derek Jeter drove him in with an RBI single.

The rest of the game was a nail-biting pitcher's duel until the end when Yankee closer John Wetteland was brought in to shut the door on the Braves and solidify yet another championship for the New York Yankees. The biggest Yankee killer of them all came to the plate in centerfielder Marquis Grissom, who had come up with big hits in clutch situations for the Braves throughout the playoffs. A man on third and two outs, all that Grissom had to do to force a seventh and decisive game was to single. But when Charlie Hayes caught the climactic foul ball it was all over. The Yankees had won the World Series for the first time in 18 years.

This ballclub showed America that there is still something holy and good in baseball, and that baseball is not only dollars and sense as the majority of us were convinced it was. The Yankees showed us that teamwork, leadership, hustle, and a little bit of luck can equal a true champion. All baseball fans should be proud of the job that the New York Yankees and the rest of baseball has done to restore its national pastime to its glory.

Magazine section looking for chief

To the student body,

The Weekly is currently looking for a student who might be interested in running the magazine section of the newspaper. After a semester of building, we have remain unable to find a magazine editor. The position entails preparing articles the week before the issue and finding a staff to help write the articles. Then, Monday and Tuesday are used to type, proofread, and layout the articles. The position does entail working late on Tuesday nights because the paper is due to the publisher Wednesday morning.

We are looking for someone who can take over the position next semester. No experience is necessary because the necessary computer skills can be taught quickly. We publish on PageMaker and anyone who has knowledge of this program is a definite plus.

Hopefully, someone will step forward to take this section. If noone wants to be the editor, the section will be cut from the newspaper next semester.

Editors of *The Weekly* now enjoy some great benefits. If you are interested in applying for the position, drop me a note at box 1939 or give me a call at x4716. Calls can also be made to *The Weekly's* office at x3187.

Sincerely,
Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

DTD hopes to gain recognition

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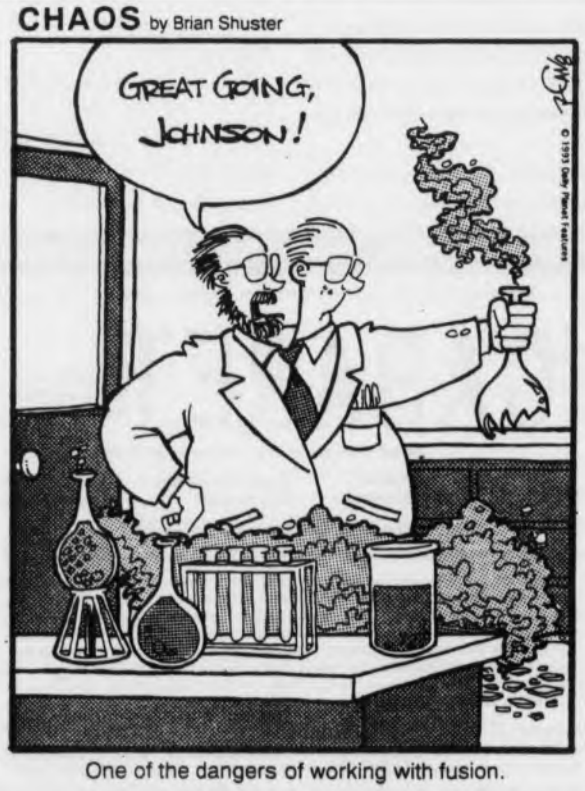
Saturday November 16th, in conjunction with the other fraternities and sororities on campus. In the month of December, Delta Tau Delta will continue their efforts by decorating Christmas trees at Luther Crest Nursing Home with Muhlenberg's Community service group, and on December 5th, DTD will participate in the Christmas Party for the Pine Brooke Foster Home with the other greek organizations on campus. In reference to these up coming events, Brydzinski remarked, "The brothers are excited about all the projects we are involved in and can't wait to help out."

As of November 15th the Delta Tau Delta colony will begin its trek toward national chartership and recognition by Muhlenberg College. Vice President Mark Morrison enthusiastically commented, "Our diverse group of brothers will provide another branch to the Greek system here and strive to improve Muhlenberg's already rising popularity".

CHAOS by Brian Shuster



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Women's soccer steps up to a higher level

by Scott Burke
Weekly Sports Writer

It was a season of change, of new teammates and new opponents, of new challenges to which the women's soccer team rose.

Combining skillful new players with tough veterans, Muhlenberg began a season-long chemistry that fought hard in every game, continuing to improve and develop.

"We played a tougher schedule this year than ever before in Muhlenberg Women's Soccer history," said Head Coach Leslie Benintend, veteran of the Cortland State soccer dynasties of the early 90s.

"We played, older, regionally-ranked teams, and we showed them that Muhlenberg really can play. We proved to ourselves that we have the ability to be competitive."

The Mules kicked off their season with a draw at Misericordia, and then ventured up to Saratoga Springs to make their first appearance in the Skidmore Invitational Tournament. Muhlenberg faced the Skidmore Thoroughbreds, traditionally a nationaly-ranked power, and held them scoreless for 89 minutes, till Skidmore netted one in the closing seconds.

The next day, the Mules blasted Goucher College 2-0.

The stubborn Mule defense, led by Captains Tina Rauchut, a senior, and junior Laurie Kennedy, performed brilliantly against a tough Goucher squad.

The defensive skills of freshmen Lisa Wojtowicz and Allison Fish shut down numerous offenses all season long. It was no surprise when all four were nominated for the Centennial Conference's All-Conference team.

After finishing second in the Skidmore tourney, the Mules came back home to open the year at Varsity field against Rowan College. It was a double-overtime thriller, coming down to the wire as the
Rowan Profs edged the Mules 3-2.

Throughout September, against regional titans such as Messiah, Moravian, and Wilkes, Muhlenberg refined its chemistry.

The midfield, led by Captain Denise Diorio, a junior, showing great toughness by playing almost every game with a cast over her right arm, continued to build, developing a fluidity of motion that became a powerful ballet by season's end.

Sophomore Celina Boer, who started out as forward but played most of the year in the midfield, spent a lot of time in front of the net, leading the Mules in scoring with seven goals and four assists, bringing her career total to ten goals, nine assists.

Boer was nominated for the All-Conference team. Senior Kendra Kern also had a great year in the midfield, routinely playing strong and skillful soccer.

Freshman midfielder Karen Konopelski was another good contributor, breaking through opposing players to get at the ball, and was the sixth Mule nominated for the
All-Conference team.

By October, the offense began to heat up. Muhlenberg blasted four goals past Bryn Mawr, three past Ursinus in a shutout, also blanking Albright 3-0. Freshmen Shannon Lowther (4 goals, 2 assists), Heather Dreby (2 goals), Hilary Moses (2 goals), were very effective in front of the net, as were sophomore Molly Kettlewell, Fish, Kennedy and Senior Jill Hoffman. Hoffman ended her soccer career at Muhlenberg in front of a large Homecoming crowd by slamming a perfectly placed shot that baffled the Western Maryland netminder, winning praise and cheers form the ecstatic Muhlenberg fans and alumni.

Jackie Vanderstreet, sophomore goaltender for the Mules, also had a great season, and made the number of Mules nominated to the All-Conference team total seven. Her goals-against-average was a school record 1.15, third-best in the Conference, with a save percentage of .878. Vanderstreet made a total of 144 saves this season, bringing her career total 351. Many of these were crucial saves in tight situations, diving, jumping saves that required great determination to stay with the ball, and great courage to face a speeding soccer ball head-on.

Also contributing to the team were sophomores Amy Kleppirtger, Doreen Ballone and Andrea Moreno, freshmen Sabrina Warner and Kristine Brink, always there to help their team out in difficult situations.

Freshmen backup goaltender Michelle Moser showed that she too is reliable in front of the net, as did freshman Tammy Rismiller.

Muhlenberg finished with 6 wins, 10 defeats, and 2 ties, outscoring all opponents 22 to 21, generating more shots and corner kicks. Every game was close, including six losses which were decided by one goal. In the Conference Muhlenberg finished sixth, at 3-5-1.

Against this years champion, Johns Hopkins, the Mules fought a hard 90 minutes in Baltimore, but fell one to nil. Against last year's champ Haverford, the Mules could not counter the single early score by Haverford.

"It was a good season," concludes Coach Benintend. "We were close in every game, and everyone contributed. We are a young team, and we have a lot of promise for the future."

Weekly sports writer shows off his Yankee Pride

by Seth Leichter
Weekly Sports Writer

On October 26, 1996 the New York Yankees won their 23rd World Series. That is not all the Yankees did however, they also gave baseball its magic back. This ballclub is chock-full-of the individual stories, controversies, and resilience that makes a champion.

1994 is a year that Major League Baseball and its fans would like to forget.

The preceding year saw the latter half of the two-year dynasty of the Toronto Blue Jays. The 1994 season was full of promise despite constant quarrels between the owners and the player's union. The abbreviated season had Mark McGwire, Matt Williams, Jeff Bagwell, Ken Griffey Jr. and Barry Bonds chasing Roger Maris' single season home run record of 61.

It also saw the blossoming of the floundering New York Yankees franchise that has not reached the World Series since 1981, and has been without a championship since 1978.

On July 21, 1994, the baseball world took a turn for the worse. The players walked out due to labor disagreements. The lockout lasted through the winter and on until June of 1995, cutting into the next regular season.

Reaction to the lockout was tremendous. Disgruntled fans boycotted games in protest to the greediness of both the players and the owners. The cancellation of the first World Series since 1903 left a very bad taste in the mouth's of everyone who considers themselves a sports fan. Imagine what it would be like for children if Santa Claus cancelled Christmas because all of the reindeer were holding out to restructure their contracts.

After a year of baseball with the addition of two expansion teams, three divisions rather than two and a revamped playoff system that included a wildcard team, led many to believe that America's national pastime was slowly coming back to its glory.

The 1996 Yankees looked strong and prepared to bounce back after their early exit from the divisional playoffs by the hands of the Seattle Mariners.

Newly hired manager Joe Torre brought mixed reviews from the New York media, as did general manager Bob Watson's decision to not re-sign clutch-hitting catcher Mike Stanley in favor of a solid-fielding Joe Girardi.

The off-season also brought in some solid veteran free agents to the Bronx. Outfielder Tim Raines and first baseman Tino Martinez were brought in to fill leadoff spot roles and to replace Yankee legend, Don Mattingly respectively.

Watson also managed to re-sign the ace of the pitching staff back in David Cone and pick up a crafty relief pitcher from Seattle in Jeff Nelson.

The early stage of the 1996 campaign saw the return of Darryl Strawberry and Dwight Gooden who both were trying to salvage once promising careers that since have been plagued with drug and alcohol problems.

Dwight pitched a no-hitter and Darryl came in and won some big games with some clutch hitting. The team maintained a comfortable lead over Baltimore, but this was overshadowed by a career-threatening injury to the Yankee's ace Cone.

Without Cone, the Yankees relied on the other starting pitchers and the lethal bullpen anchored by fireballers sophomore Mariano Rivera and veteran John Wetteland.

The team's offense was good, but lacked the power that symbolized Yankee greatness. With that in mind, Watson went out and traded journeyman outfielder Ruben Sierra to Detroit for the "Big Daddy" Cecil Fielder. Fielder has more home runs than any other player in the 90's.

After the all-star break, the Yankees led off the second half of the season with a sweep of the Orioles that put the Bronx Bombers 14 games atop the Eastern Division.

The playoffs seemed to be a lock at this point. It looked like no one could possibly catch them. But as you know, looks can be deceiving.

In the month of August and early September, the Orioles had managed to cut the lead down to four.

The Yankees who just a short while ago were invincible, now were on the brink of disaster going into a three game series with Baltimore in the unfriendly confines of Camden Yards.

The Yanks needed a boost, and they got it when David Cone returned to spell the struggling team of its recent woes as he threw an almost perfect game against Oakland the week before.

With the division lead in serious jeopardy, New York stepped their game up and took two out of three from Baltimore and stretched the lead up to five.

The Yankees never looked back from there as they went on to clinch the division and end the regular season with a 94-68 record.

The future looked bright as the Yankees entered the playoffs against Texas. Led by emerging star Bernie Williams and rookie sensation Derek Jeter, the Yanks had all the tools necessary to be successful.

Games 1 and 2 served as wake-up calls for the Yankees as they were pummeled by Texas slugger Juan Gonzalez. The Yankees dropped the first game, but went on to win the next three to advance to the second round.

The American League Championship Series displayed two long time rivals. The Yankees versus division rival Baltimore. The Yankees split in the Bronx, as Oriole hurler David Wells pitched a brilliantly against a Yankee lineup that had no easy hitters.

With the A.L.C.S. shaping up to be a classic as the series shifted to Baltimore, New York knew that they needed to play the kind of baseball that has made them successful.

The Yankees took games 3 and 4 by striking first and taking the Baltimore crowd out of the game as the Yankees have done nine out of eleven times so far this season.

In game 5, it was a costly error by normally sure-handed all-star second baseman, Roberto Alomar that led to the beginning of the end for the Birds as the Yankees rallied and put the game out of reach, and also put the 1996 Yankees and manager Joe Torre a place they have never been before, The World Series.

The Fall Classic. This is something that in recent years has not lived up to its billing. The stage was set. A Yankee team that boasted a perfect mix of young talent with crafty vets along with a manager that has never reached the World Series.

The media was eating up the storyline as nearly forgotten historical moments of baseball's storied past reared its head once again. The only obstacle left to spoil this Bronx Tale was the defending World Series champion Atlanta Braves.

The Braves' pitching staff is the most dominant of its time and arguably the best lineup of talent ever assembled on one team. Oh, by the way, the Braves also possess a fantastic offense that rode into the World Series riding three back to back wins over St. Louis.

In games 1 and 2, the Atlanta Braves stormed into the Bronx and dominated the Yankees with pitching by Cy Young Award winner John Smoltz and Greg Maddux, who has won the

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Mules suffer from Ursinus headache

Football team drops third straight in 13-7 loss to Bears

by C.J. Lenat
Weekly Sports Writer

The Muhlenberg College football team lost its third straight and seventh of the season Saturday 13-7 to Ursinus College in the first overtime game in Centennial Conference history.

With less than a minute to go in regulation, the Mules took the ball deep into Ursinus territory, and it looked as if a go-ahead score was imminent. But a five yard penalty against the Mules forced a fourth down from the Ursinus thirty-two yard line.

Senior captain Mark Magevero was called on to attempt a forty-two yard field goal into the wind to win the game for the Mules, but the kick came up a few feet shortFootball team loses third straight in 13-7 loss to Bears, forcing overtime. In overtime, Ursinus scored a touchdown to win the game.

Once again it was the defense of the Mules that allowed them to stay close to nationally ranked Ursinus throughout the game.

Senior captain Dan Terpstra was named Centennial Conference defensive player of the week for his 15 tackle performance which included a quarterback sack.

Allowing only 13 points, only seven of which came in regulation, this game was by far the Mules best defensive outing of the season.

Not only did the defense have to go up against the offense of a nationally ranked opponent, but it also had to stay out on the field for the majority of the game. Ursinus beat Muhlenberg 35 minutes to 25 in time of possession.

"The defense played well," Head Coach Greg Olejack said. "I was very happy with the effort. We worked and played hard."

The offense of the Mules was basically centered around one player Saturday, sophomore running back Mike Martino.

Martino ran the ball 26 times for an impressive 168 yards, averaging 6.5 yards per carry.

The offensive line for Muhlenberg was a big part of why Martino did so well.

"Mike did a lot on his own," Olejack said, "But the offensive did a great job."

Olejack singled out junior linemen Brett Sawyer and Dave Johnson for opening holes for Martino.

While the running game did well for the Mules, the passing attack faltered.

Even though the Mules only score of the day came when quarterback Howie Pollard fired a 72 yard bomb to wideout Mike Patschke, Muhlenberg only had one other completion on the day, and threw three interceptions.

"The three interceptions killed drives," Olejack said.

Turnovers have plagued the Mules all season. After eight games, Muhlenberg has thrown 21 interceptions and lost 16 fumbles while intercepting only five and recovering 8 fumbles. Their plus/minus mark is a woesome -24 for the year.

Another category in which the Mules need improvement is first-half points.

While Muhlenberg has allowed 140 points in the first two quarters, they have mustered only 27 points for themselves.

The Mules did show improvement this week though. "I was very happy with the effort," Olejack said.

Muhlenberg's final two games of the season are this Saturday against Carnegie Mellon and Saturday November 16 at Moravian.

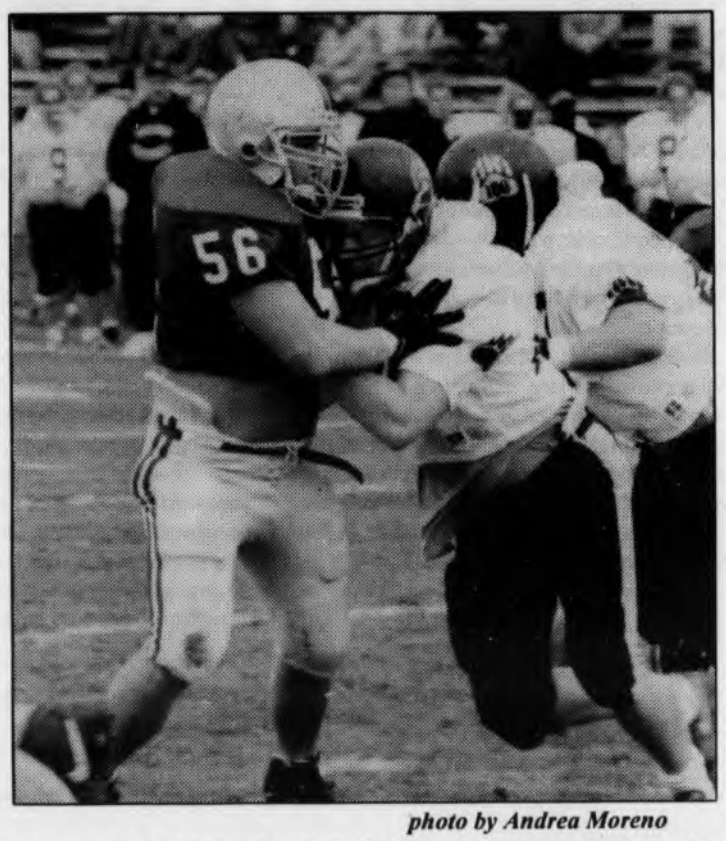


photo by Andrea Moreno

Last year's Mules battled Ursinus at home with similar results as shown in this photo from that 33-14 drubbing

Soccer team's playoff hopes starting to dim

Mules near end of season in must-win situation

by Seth Leichter
Weekly Sports Writer

The men's Muhlenberg soccer team's regular season is drawing to a close. The Mules have yet to earn an invite to the NCAA Tournament with their 8-4-3 record. In order for the Mules to even be considered for the tourney, they must win all of their remaining games.

Last week, the Mules took on Haverford on Wednesday at Varsity Field, and traveled south to combat Swarthmore. Both of these are conference games, and both matches hold tremendous weight with the outcomes determining whether or not Muhlenberg will get a tournament bid..

Haverford came dangerously close to striking first blood on the Mules as a blistering shot ricocheted off of the crossbar. The tough Muhlenberg defense settled the team down shortly thereafter.

The Mules converted their first goal in 220 minutes when junior Eric Hohman beat the Haverford goalie on the rightside with 36:13 left in the first half.

In the second half, the Mules escaped the potential game-tying goal when captain Mike Schaffer knocked out a rolling ball that got passed Mule keeper Jacob Schmidt.

Eric Hohman's second tally of the afternoon came when he beat the Haverford netminder to the rightside again. This gave Hohman his fifth goal of the season.

The next Muhlenberg goal could possibly have been the prettiest goal I have ever seen.

It started with a good give and go that led to a corner kick. The corner kick was cleared by Haverford when Mike Schaffer gave a hooking clear that switched the field and found its way to Sean Topping's head to the foot of Todd Ervin who sent it to the back of the net.

The final score was 3-1 Muhlenberg, a game which they desperately needed.

On Saturday, the Mules traveled to Swarthmore to play. Swarthmore is a mediocre team, but they are tough at home.

Again, the Mules struck first 45 seconds into the game when Hugh Watters' corner kick was redirected into the net by the head of Mike Finn for his first of the season.

The solid defense, suffocating forechecking, and good passing led to two more Muhlenberg goals. The second goal was scored by Shane Topping(5-0-10) off of a nice lead pass. The next tally was a screaming blast by leading scorer Todd Ervin(6-3-15) that baffled the Swarthmore netminder.

Throughout the game, the Mules broke down the Swarthmore defense and had many shots inside of the penalty box.

Some notable play by freshman Jason Van Wormer helped the Mules to victory 3-0. Coach Tipping was pleased with the transitions of Eric Hohman to flanker and Todd Ervin up front in order to utilize his size in the post up. He also commented on the defense's ability to adjust when using either 3 or 4 fullbacks.

The playoffs are still attainable only if loses to Gettysburg and their final 2 games.

The Mules play Moravian on Tuesday. The Moravian squad is not having a good season and have lost some big games, but the rivalry between the two teams is always strong.

Volleyball team finishes at .500

Mules end season on high note

by Benjamin David
Weekly Sports Writer

So, my faithful readers, the Muhlenberg College Women's Volleyball Team has consummated yet another exciting season.

With all said and done, with all games, matches, tournaments and what have you officially recorded, the team was left standing with an overall record of 14-14 and a conference record of 5-5.

Lauren Buyyounouski posted an unprecedented 338 kills, averaging well over 3 kills per game.

Buyyounouski has led the team both on and off the court all season long. One might say that she is truly an asset on the court merely because her presence ignites her fellow teammates.

Buyyounouski had what is known as a "career year. Everyone looks forward to her return next fall.

Buyyounouski clearly had a supporting cast and a rather strong one at that.

Freshman Allison Verduin had a phenomenal year, sophomore Jen Morgan had a phenomenal year, Rebecca Lebo, Kristen Conboy, Meredith Cole, Kimberly Maurer and list goes on and on.

They all had a phenomenal year. The individual progress made this year, coupled with the team's strong sense of unity, led to their overall success. Finishing .500 in the tough Centennial Conference is, after all, quite a feat.

Next year, the team hopes to gain ground on tough division rivals like Johns Hopkins, Franklin and Marshall, Moravian, Western Maryland and Gettysburg.

What was a rather young and inexperienced team this year, should prove to be a more experienced and threatening team next fall.

In the words of sophomore standout Kristen Conboy, "We are and we have been a close team. We are already looking forward to the start of next season."

So that's that. As far as this season's concerned, the fat lady has sung. Next year, however, we will find an improved volleyball team.

Next year, the year after that and the year after that and so on, promises to be quite... promising.

Football team ends season on a down note

Mules lose 27-3 to conference rival Moravian

by C.J. Lenat
Assistant Sports Editor

The Muhlenberg College football team ended it's season Saturday with a 27-3 loss to Moravian College.

The lone bright spot for the Mules was sophomore Seth Myers, who had a monster game, recording 18 total tackles, including three quarterback sacks for a loss of 18 yards.

"He was awesome," Head Coach Greg Olejack said of Myers.

The three quarterback sacks tied a school record.

The loss on Saturday was Muhlenberg's ninth of the season, and eighteenth in the past two years.

While the season was, as a whole, disappointing, many players put up impressive individual numbers, especially the graduating seniors.

Captain Dan Terpstra led the Mules with 90 total tackles, had four quarterback sacks, five pass breakups, two interceptions, and two fumble recoveries on the season.

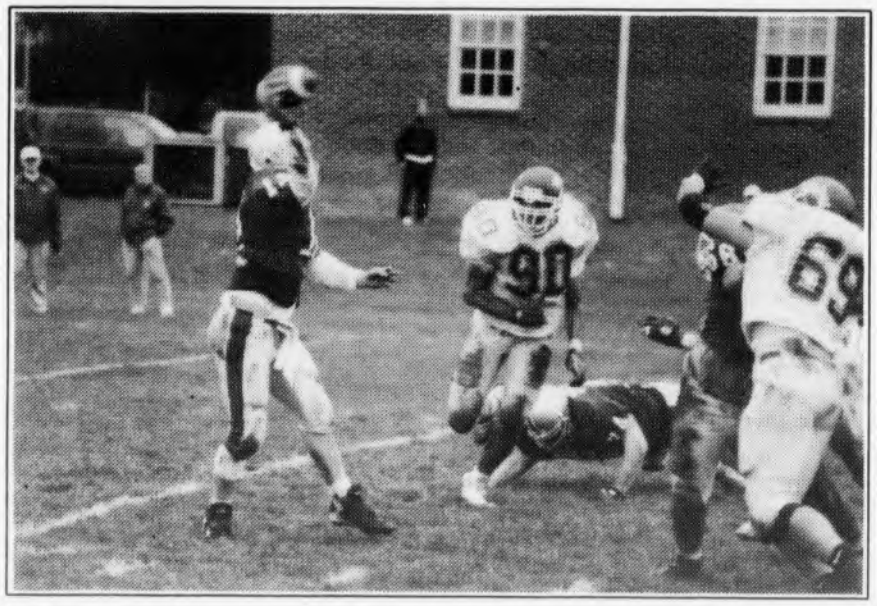
Terpstra was recently named to the 1996 First Team All Conference squad.

"I'm proud of him," Olejack said of Terpstra.

Lionel Hush, starting cornerback, will also be lost to graduation.

Hush was tied for the team lead in pass breakups, had 47 tackles, an interception, two fumble recoveries, and blocked two kicks.

Other seniors lost from the defensive squad are Michael McClain, Gregg Bevan, and Mark Mogavero, who combined put of 102 tackles, three sacks, an interception and a fumble recovery on the season.



Mogavero was also the Mules leading scorer, finishing with five field goals and five extra points for a total of 20 points on the year.

The lone senior on the offensive side of the ball was Michael Patschke, who finished the season with 11 receptions for 158 yards, an average of 14.4 yards per catch. Patschke also scored two touchdowns during the season.

"The seniors did a real solid job of leadership," Olejack said, "The did exactly what they were supposed to do, they led the team and played well."

Steven Brady and Jim Socci, both junior defensive players, both did well, finishing two and three on the team in total tackles with 83 and 76 respectively.

Socci had two sacks and two fumble recoveries, and Brady had an interception, and was named Defensive All Conference honorable mention.

The freshman standout this season was Kenyamo McFarlane, who became the first wide receiver since 1984 to average more than 20 yards per catch, and the first freshman to accomplish that feat since 1968.

McFarlane, who also played special teams, blocked two kicks on the season.

"He was pretty impressive," Olejack said.

When asked what aspects need to be improved in the off season, Olejack responded, "We need to work on weights, speed and agility."

"We need to replace Terpstra, Bevan, Hush, Mogavero, and all of the other seniors."

According to Olejack, the Mules will be actively recruiting a kicker to replace Mogavero, and big linemen to sure up the offensive and defensive lines.

"We need to continually recruit skill," Olejack said.

As for the season as a whole, Olejack said that "The whole team worked hard, and the off season will determine the success of the 1997 season. We need to have a good off season."

X-Country team concludes season at Dickinson

by Scott Burke
Weekly Sports Writer

The 1996 Men's and Women's Cross Country Teams concluded their season on Saturday, November 9, running in the NCAA Mid East Regional Championship held at Dickinson College.

The course was already familiar to the Muhlenberg Harriers, having run it previously this season at the Dickinson Invitational Meet in October.

"The course rolled through fields, up and down hills," said Head Coach Linda Andrews. "The Dickinson meet was a good preview of what to expect."

However, no one could expect the downpour earlier in the week that drenched the course.

Fortunately, Saturday's sun had dried up much of the mud and puddles, though the course was still wet.

The Mules have had considerable experience in the mud this season, most memorably during the Centennial conference championships at Gettysburg college, where the slick grass invited feet to slip and ankles to turn.

To the uninitiated it seemed like the greatest peril for Saturday's runners would have been the bone-chilling cold and the freezing gusts of wind.

But this was not the time to be bothered by the temperature. These were the regional championships, and the Muhlenberg squad, focusing on crossing the finish line as fast as they could, would ignore the cold and the many other distractions.

Finding that area of quiet and peace deep down within themselves, they would concentrate and press on, until the race was done.

This proved not only to be the final race of the season, but also the final time three four-year letterwinners would run under the Cardinal and Grey.

Women's Captain Sue Borek and Men's Co-Captains Tom Bailey and Steve Smullin will graduate this Spring.

The three have ended their careers in grand style, against a field of 461 women and 519 men.

Two weeks ago, Borek ran a career-best time at the conference championships.

This week, Smullin continued to be a reliable, strong finisher, consistently in the top of the Mules' order.

Bailey himself ran a season best time, and was also named Runner of the Week.

In a field of 37 teams, the women placed 24.

Elissa Murphy, a freshman, led the Mules in 73rd place, with a season-best 20:59, improving on the personal record she set in her last race.

Lauren Weisenberger, another freshman, also broke the season-best time she set in the conference championships with a 21:47.

Her strong performance in this race earned her Runner of the Week honors.

Next for the Cardinal and Grey was freshman Cindy Bredefelt (22:11), followed by sophomore Katherine DuFosse (23:59), Borek (24:13), freshman Jennie Love (24:19), and sophomore Lori Bennet (25:17).

The men were 29th out of a tough field of 34 teams.

Freshman Aaron Bova led the Mules for the first time in his career, posting a 29:28, 136th place overall.

Junior James Batzel was second for the Mules (29:48), followed quickly by Smullin (29:51), junior Peter Dunlaevy (30:30), Runner of the Week Bailey (30:49), junior Neal Sheridan (31:16), and junior Frank Scholes (33:16).

The College of New Jersey won the race for the women, and the red-hot Haverford men, already Centennial conference champs, added the regional title to their belt.

Join Doug Feldman and Todd Garretson this Sunday at 7:00 P.M. for *Sportsradio WMUH* with special guest Dick Vitale. It'll be Awesome Baby!!

Women's basketball ready to tip-off season at Scotty Wood

by Benjamin David
Weekly Sports Writer

Last season marked the Muhlenberg Women's Basketball Team's most phenomenal season of all time.

They posted a 19-7 record, captured a divisional championship and either broke or tied 25 different school and Centennial Conference records. The key to their success last year: balance.

This team was led not by one or two athletes, but by nine.

Nine players averaged between five and twelve points per game.

Only once all year did a player lead the team in scoring in three consecutive games.

Hence, coach Tammy Smith was able to utilize a multitude of players. Smith never hesitated to bring players in off of her bench.

So even though the Mules lost three players to graduation last season, a large handful of experienced players will surely return this year.

In addition, *College Sports Magazine* has given Muhlenberg a ranking of ninth among Division III schools entering this season.

With all of this in mind, the beginning of yet another season has come 'aknockin.

Senior Captains Elvira LaRocca and Laura Tichy hope to lead this squad above and beyond everyone's expectations.

A flock of forwards return this year. Sarah Bedi, for instance, led the Centennial Conference in field-goal percentage last year and has averaged 10 points per game for her career.

Bedi will, once again, be joined by junior Lauren Krakowski. Krakowski has come off the bench in recent seasons and has made a name for herself as a solid defensive rebounder.

Also, Jill Roth and Amanda Waterbury have provided the team with their scoring and rebounding skills.

The Mules, despite the fact that they lost four graduated seniors in the off season, still seem to be in good standing concerning their backcourt.

Sarah Clarke, one of Muhlenberg's two honorable mention All-Conference picks last year, may be the team's most exciting player.

As a freshman, the entirety of Clarke's game shined. Once again, her presence on the court will fuel the Mules.

One might say that she has been, is and will be this team's fuel for season to come.

The Mules now consist of only two freshmen, Caressa Lynch and Amy Sandt. Both should contribute at guard.

So this is basically the layout, the outlook. The consensus seems to be that they not only hope to match last year's performance, but they plan on improving upon it as well.

And this is surely not an unrealistic goal. What we have now is an experienced team, a team that knows what needs to be done in order to win.

Perhaps, the reason why they did not, in fact, advance even further last year was because they were a relatively young group of players.

This year, it would appear as if the team consists predominantly of upper classmen who, when this season begins, will prove to their school and their conference that this year they are very much for real.

Five Mules named to women's soccer All-Conference team

by Scott Burke
Weekly Sports Writer

Five Muhlenberg players have been named to the 1996 Centennial Conference Women's Soccer All-Conference Team.

Sophomore midfielder Celina Boer from Maple Glen, Pennsylvania was named to the First Team.

Her skillful playmaking was crucial in bridging the gap between the defense and the offense this season.

Celina spent a considerable amount of time on offense herself, leading the team in scoring with seven goals and four assists, bringing her career total to ten goals, nine assists.

To the second team were named Captain Tina Rauchut and sophomore Jackie Vanderstreet.

Rauchut, of Langhorne, Pennsylvania, helped lead the powerful Mule defense this season.

A graduating senior, Rauchut will be difficult to replace, her leadership and enthusiasm helped to focus the team and as a
stalwart defender she was hard to beat.

Although spending most of her career in defensive assignments, Tina did occassionally venture forward and proved she could play on both sides of the field by netting three goals wearing the Cardinal and Grey.

Sophomore goaltender Vanderstreet, of St. Johnsbury, Vermont, established a new standard at Muhlenberg this season for the lowest goals-against average with a 1.15.

This was the third-best record in the conference.

She recorded two shutouts and had a save percentage of .878.

Over the season she made a total of 144 saves, many of those jumping, diving, athletic saves, the last hope against an opponent's fast break.

Others were in heavy traffic, with bodies flying everywhere.

Given Honorable Mentions were Captain Laurie Kennedy and freshman Lisa Wojtowicz.

Hailing from East Windsor, New Jersey, Kennedy, a junior defenseman, played a large part in the defensive strength shown this season.

No stranger to the attacking part of the game, Kennedy recorded two goals and
two assists this season, bringing her total to eight points for her career thus far.

Lisa Wojtowicz made her debut this year wearing the Cardinal and Grey.

Also a defenseman, from Vernon, New Jersey, Wojtowicz impressed many with her fierce, never-back- down style of play.

From a game early in the season against Goucher, Wojtowicz showed no fear in taking on and controlling the best of Goucher, including one player already named to the "All-America" team.

The strength of this Muhlenberg squad, as shown by the All-Conference selection, was decidedly defensive.

Of the five who were chosen for the team, four were Muhlenberg defenders.

The defense was outstanding in every game.

Even when the Mules were having difficulty scoring, the defense kept the score close and Muhlenberg remained in the game, with at least a chance of reversing their fortunes.

Thirteenth Annual Scotty Wood Tournament

Game Times:

Friday's games:

Mens:	Womens:
6:00p.m.: Allentown College vs. Muskingum College	1:00p.m.: Rensselear Polytechnical Institute vs. Nazareth College
8:00p.m.: Rensselear Polytechnical Institute vs. Muhlenberg	3:00p.m.: Albright College vs. Muhlenberg

Saturday's games:

Mens:	Womens:
3:00p.m.: Consolation game	1:00p.m.:Consolation Game
8:00p.m.: Championship game	6:00p.m.: Championship game

Tickets to the Eagles vs. Giants game and various gift certificates will be raffled off!

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Psychology honors society and club host enlightening evening with professionals in the field

by Paige Morris
***Weekly* staff writer**

In the past three months since he has been president of the psychology honor society, Alden Cass has brought new dimensions to the organization. Last week, Psi Chi, the psychology honors society, in conjunction with the psychology club, hosted Dr. Jeffrey Knauss and Gary Stone, MSW as guest speakers for interested students. Due to Cass' hard work and persistence, the event was a success.

Dr. Knauss, a Muhlenberg alumnus, is the head psychologist on the adolescent psychology unit at Lehigh Valley Hospital. He spoke about the various educational options available to college students who wish to pursue the mental health field. Knauss urged anyone interested in psychology to get an internship, emphasizing the importance of experience in pursuing a career. Because he recognizes this necessity, Knauss welcomes Muhlenberg students to work on his unit, and encouraged anyone interested to get in contact with him. He also spoke about the future of the mental health field with respect to health care trends, saying that he is hopeful for positive changes.

photo by Paige Morris

Above: Shawn Rubin, Stephanie Melofsky, Dr. Knauss, Alden Cass, and Doreen Cicchetti

Gary Stone also works on the adolescent unit, primarily doing family therapy with the patients. He provided a different approach to mental health, discussing the advantages of a master's degree as opposed to a doctoral degree. Stone also shared his opinion on the future of the mental health field, particularly pointing out the marketability of the Masters of Social Work (MSW). By the end, both men had provided ample information and advice to the students.

The event was followed by a reception in Seeger's Union, where the students were able to mingle with faculty and the guest speakers, to further discuss the evening's topic. Those who attended found it to be very informative. Dave Moore '97 commented on the lecture, "I found the speakers to be stimulating, enlightening, and practical." Cass, who worked with Knauss on the unit, was pleased with the evening's success, saying "Dr. Knauss' practice of psychology encompasses all I aspire to be, and I wanted him to share his thoughts with other Muhlenberg students." Cass hopes to organize similar events during his term.

Political opinions of Muhlenberg students reflect nationwide trends

by Jack Gambino
Political Science Department

Muhlenberg students reflected many of the nationwide electoral trends that emerged in the November 5 election. According to a poll of 327 students conducted between October 28 and November 1, 49% said they would support President Clinton's reelection bid, a percentage identical to the share the President received on election day. Bob Dole appeared not to have attracted enthusiastic support among Muhlenberg students; his 24% was well below the 41% he received nation wide. Ross Perot also fared worse in the Muhlenberg survey with only 6%, compared to his 8% nationwide. 17% of the respondents still were undecided the week before the election.

The lackluster support for Dole was surprising, given the Republican leanings of Muhlenberg students. 38% identify with the Republican Party, compared to 33% with the Democrats and 28% who classify themselves as independent. Party affiliation, however, appears to be generally weak, with only 20% calling themselves strong partisans.

There are differences, however, between male and female students when it comes to party affiliation. While 40% of women identify with the Democrats, only 28% of men do. 43% of the male respondents, on the other hand, call themselves Republican. These differences appear to reflect the nationwide "gender gap" in the support for the two major parties. According to a New York Times exit poll, 55% of women surveyed said they voted for Democratic candidates for the House, while 54% of men said they voted for the Republican. While Clinton's support among women students at Muhlenberg is very strong, both men and women approved of his job performance in his first term.

First year students also solidly support the President, with only 21% of them finding the Dole candidacy compelling. An overwhelming majority were content with Clinton's job performance. This approval of the President by Muhlenberg students is consistent with a nationwide swing toward the Democrats by young voters: 55% of the 18-29 years old, according to the New York Times survey, said they voted for the Democratic candidate in the House races.

The Muhlenberg poll, representing 18% of current FTE students, included 157 female and 170 male students. 245 students were registered voters (75%), 241 were first year students (45% of the Class of 2000), and 264 said that they had never voted before. Questionnaires were distributed in the classes of Drs. Charles Bednar, Jack Gambino, and Rohini Sinha. In addition, 2/3 of the questionnaires were distributed by students in my First Year Seminar "The Election of '96" to students in the Walz, Brown, and Prosser dormitories (which accounts for the high number of first year students in the survey).

The following graphs reflect the results of the political opinion poll conducted by students of Drs. Bednar, Gambino, and Sinha. The graphs are continued on page 3.

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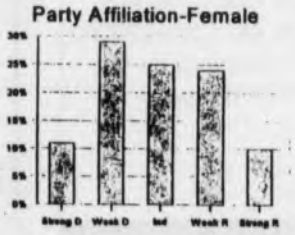

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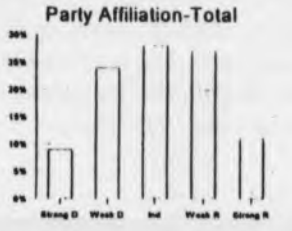

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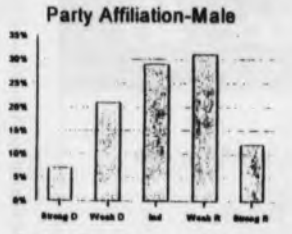

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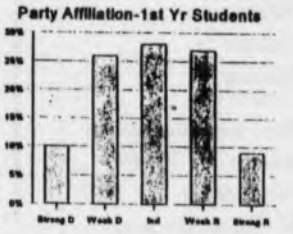

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News Digest

compiled by Alice Chumard

Canada has agreed to lead a multinational force of as many as 20,000 troops to restore aid lifelines to 1.1 million refugees stranded by recent fighting in eastern Zaire, the U.N. said. More than a dozen other nations have agreed to take part. Aid workers said cholera has been reported at a refugee camp 120 miles west of Bukavu.

The Army charged three instructors at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., with offenses ranging from consensual sex with female recruits, barred under Army rules, to indecent assault. The Army said the incidents came to light without the help of a hot line set up after allegations of rape and other sex crimes surfaced at a base in Maryland.

Two jetliners collided in midair near New Delhi, killing 351 people. A Saudi Arabiar, Airlines 747 with 312 people aboard had just taken off for a flight to Dhahran and Jeddah when it struck a Kazakstan Airlines Ilyushin-76 that was on a landing approach about 60 miles west of the Indian capital. The collision occurred at sunset during relatively clear weather.

Clinton still opposes a balanced budget amendment, aides said as they scrambled to clarify
comments by the President Tuesday that indicated he could support the measure if it contained an exemption for recessions. Clinton can not veto the amendment, but his opposition was vital in a previous defeat of the measure.

The cancer death rate is declining in the U.S. for the first time this century, according to a study by University of Alabama researchers in the current issue of Cancer. The improvement was attributed to better treatment and anti-smoking campaigns.

Federal safety officials opened hearings on the May crash of a ValuJet DC-9 in Florida that killed 110 people. Documents show oxygen generators believed to have caused a fire aboard the jet were improperly shipped from a maintenance firm that was cleaning out a shop area before a potential customer arrived.

North Korea expects a grain shortfall next year equal to 40% of the nation's needs, according to a Red Cross official in Pyongyang. The projected shortfall, worse than expected, would mark the second year of food shortages resulting from 1995 floods.

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Howard Zinn speaks on history

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

Noted historian and playwright Howard Zinn presented a lecture on Tuesday. The lecture was last of the many lectures presented by the Center for the Ethics.

The lecture, entitled "Use and Abuse of History", focused on the idea that history can be portrayed in many ways depending on how the facts are manipulated.

Zinn believes that history cannot be portrayed objectively. "I didn't believe in neutrality from the beginning. I had a point-of-view. The reason I began teaching with a point-of-view was that I didn't go to the academies right after high school. I went to work."

Zinn worked in a shipyard upon graduation. After his working days, he enrolled in the Air Force, fighting in World War II. He then went from job-to-job, while setting up his family. He had two children, before entering the Armed Forces on the G.I. Bill.

Before going to college, he had already developed ideas about how the world worked. He believed people didn't realize that different classes in society experienced historical events than other classes in the society at the same time.

For example, his writing, "LaGuardia in Congress", included letters to former New York Mayor and State Senator Fiorello LaGuardia. During the 1920s, lower class citizens wrote to him concerning the poor working conditions in the city and the struggle to find employment. However, most historian refer to the 1920s as "the era of endless opportunity.

Zinn concluded that different classes experience different things.

Another significant experience that Zinn discussed was teaching at Spellman College in Atlanta. Spellman is an all-women's African American college.

While there, Zinn read a book by Richard Spellman. The book covered the Progressive Era (1900-1917), which is considered a time of great change and positive change for American society. Spellman points out that there were more lynchings in the Progressive Era than any other.

Zinn said, "Facts of history are infinite. By selecting facts, you are incorporating your opinions. By presenting information, you are discounting many facts."

Zinn concluded that "Talking about history is not enough. History should include a look at class structure."

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Dr. Franklin Sherman cited for interfaith work; to serve in new Lutheran position

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Dr. Franklin Sherman, recently retired director of the Institute for Jewish-Christian Understanding at Muhlenberg College, was honored at the 15th National Workshop on Christian-Jewish Relations, held recently in Stamford, Conn.

The award, citing his lifetime contributions to Christian-Jewish relations, was presented by Judith Banki, program director of the Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum Foundation for the Advancement of Inter religious Understanding.

Dr. Robert Everett, the newly appointed director of the Institute said, "This is a distinct honor given to Dr. Sherman. This gathering of scholars, clergy and lay people concerned about Jewish-Christian relations represent a unique collection of people. They are well aware of who has contributed to better understanding and the elimination of anti-Semitism. Dr. Sherman's status is confirmed by the award he has received. It is an honor for him and for Muhlenberg College's dedication to Jewish-Christian relations."

Approximately 1,000 individuals attended the event, which is held every two years to bring together persons concerned with Christian-Jewish relations at the local, national and international levels. Dr. Sherman also spoke at the conference session on "Showcases and Models," describing the work of the Institute at Muhlenberg.

In a related development, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America announced the appointment of Dr. Sherman to a part-time position in the Department for Ecumenical Affairs as associate for interfaith relations. In this newly created position, Dr. Sherman will coordinate the denomination's work in this field, with special emphasis on relations with the Jewish community. The ELCA issued a declaration in 1994 repudiating Martin Luther's anti-Jewish views and is now at work on a comprehensive statement on Christian-Jewish relations.

Campus Safety Notes

Anti-Jewish grafitti written on the chapel

11/1/96 - Vandalism to vehicle - 26th and Chew St. lot
11/1/96 - Information - off campus
11/1/96 - Alcohol violation - Walz Hall
11/2/96 - Vandalism - East Hall
11/2/96 - Injured student - Headquarters
11/3/96 - Alcohol violation - front drive
11/3/96 - Alcohol violation - ATO
11/3/96 - Disorderly conduct - Benfer Hall
11/3/96 - Vandalism - Hillside
11/3/96 - Vandalism - Walz Hall
11/3/96 - Theft - stolen license plate - ML lot
11/3/96 - Vandalism - ML lot
11/3/96 - Vandalism - East archway
11/3/96 - Drunk and disorderly conduct - Memorial Hall
11/4/96 - Theft - license plate - Liberty Street
11/4/96 - Theft - green sticker - unknown
11/4/96 - Harassment by communication - Prosser Hall
11/4/96 - Theft of license plate - 23rd and Gordon St. lot
11/5/96 - Fire alarm - 2251 Liberty St. - food
11/5/96 - Harassment by communication - Brown Hall
11/6/96 - Vandalism to vehicle - 23rd and Gordon St. lot - passenger side window broken
11/6/96 - Ethnic intimidation - Chapel - 4" x 4" swastika written in green on chapel
11/6/96 - Fire alarm - ML - shades got close to halogen lamp
11/6/96 - Fire alarm - ATO - cause unknown
11/7/96 - Theft - Maine license plate - Liberty St.
11/7/96 - Information - 2333 Liberty St. - unwanted guest - graduate staying in Chapel house
11/8/96 - Fire alarm - Prosser Hall - smoking under detector
11/8/96 - Intoxicated student - Brown Hall
11/8/96 - Providing alcohol to minors - TKE
11/9/96 - Harassment by communication - Prosser Hall
11/10/96 - Controlled substance - Gordon St. - possession of paraphernalia and marijuana
11/10/96 - Information harassment - Prosser Hall - student-on-student
11/10/96 - Vandalism - Walz Hall - window smashed
11/10/96 - Harassment by communication - Walz Hall
11-12-96 - Theft - Mailroom
11-12-96 - Vandalism to two vehicles - Turner Street (in front of TKE)
11-12-96 - Information - Prosser
11-13-96 - Suspicious person - MacGregor Village
11-13-96 - Criminal and Malicious Mischief - Hillside House
11-14-96 - Malicious Mischief - 407 23rd Street
11-15-96 - Sick Student - New West
11-15-96 - Harassment - Prosser Hall
11-15-96 - Harassment - Trexler Library
11-15-96 - Injured Student - Martin Luther
11-16-96 - Controlled Substance - Walz
11-17-96 - Assist outside agency - Off-campus
11-17-96 - Fight - ATO
11-17-96 - Alcohol Violation - ATO
11-17-96 - Lost or Stolen - Center for the Arts
11-17-96 - Vandalism to vehicle - Seeger's Union lot
11-18-96 - Information - Ettinger Office of Information Technology
11-19-96 - Benfer - Fire Alarm

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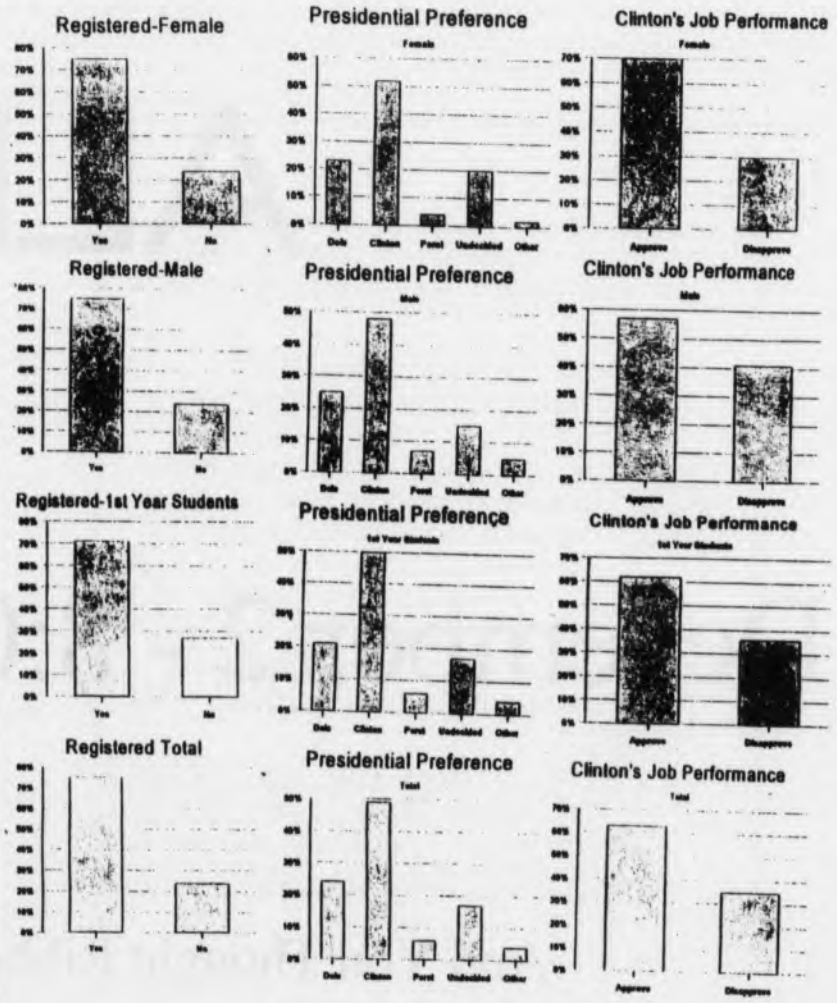

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by Sherry Lynn Fazio and Jennifer Zwirn
Weekly columnists

Aries (3/21-4/19) Well Aries..are you trying to see how far you can go without your whole body completely shutting down?! This is a wake up call...slow down...get some rest. There is a reason you are falling asleep everywhere you sit down. This is a little indication that you are lacking in sleep. Burning the candle at both ends won't get you anywhere...it will just burn your fingers. It is time for you to sit back and relax already...take advantage (in a good way!) of your wonderful friends for once and let them wait on you. You deserve it.

Taurus (4/20-5/20) Hey Taurus...well the wild child in you has been let out of its cage and it is about time! Of course, though, you knew this was coming, have fun and all but make sure that a bad reputation isn't the next step in your new phase of freedom. Being independent doesn't mean you should get in line at a buffet and taste everything in front of you. If you do that, sooner or later you will get food poisoning and you'll be forced to learn the hard way. You have a good head on your shoulders, though, and you know what you're doing...definitely continue to have fun, just be careful!

Gemini (5/21-6/20) Um Gemini...you seem to be very intense lately. The ability to be serious at times is one that not many of us have, so you are one up on the rest of us with that characteristic, but don't forget that there is a time and a place for everything. It's perfectly OK to let your zany personality back out on the loose! Even though you've had a rough couple of weeks with your friends, everything blows over and it's all good now. So take off that serious face that keeps reminding the rest of us of our parents and have a few laughs! It's really OK!

Cancer (6/21-7/22) So Cancer...lately you've been finding four leaf clovers everywhere...in other words, it seems that luck has struck your life! So, what's up with your pessimistic attitude? Try enjoying everything you've been blessed with and be a little grateful for everything you have instead of searching for the bad in everything. If you sat back for a second and just looked at everything you have instead of everything you're lacking, you would be amazed with how absolutely wonderful your life really is! Relish in all the little pleasures you have!

Leo (7/23-8/22) Hey Leo...have you adapted to the lifestyle of a bear and begun to hibernate for the winter season? Why is it that nobody except your roommate has seen you in the past month? It's great to spend lots of quality time with your roomie but there are other people who have lots to offer you! Every single person you come into contact with during your life has something to teach you, but if you only keep company with the same people, then you'll never learn all the stuff that was meant especially for you! Give the outside world a chance, besides, nobody likes bears anyway!

Virgo (8/23-9/22) So, Virgo, is there a reason that your latest episode of happiness has begun to fizzle? Maybe it's the cold air or maybe nothing is ever enough for you. How about appreciating the here and now instead of spending countless hours worrying about the future? You can't change yesterday and you can't predict tomorrow...so why not make the most of today? It would be wonderful if you made the recent smile a permanent part of your appearance because it suits you well.

Libra (9/23-10/22) OK, things don't always seem to go your way, so what? No need to wallow in a pool of self pity for the rest of your days. Remember that with every bad comes a good, so if you're feeling down about a test or something like that, don't worry about it. Remember that good things are on their way. Perhaps you can speed up that process by studying a bit harder or asking your professor for help. As far as other things go, Parents' Weekend has ended so your stress level can go down! Your parents have gone home, thank goodness, and you're still here. Let them see how independent you can be...prove to them you are after all, an adult.

Scorpio (10/23-11/21) So, you've been busy running around all over the place with your new crowd. You haven't seen your old friends recently and they're beginning to miss you, so keep that in mind the next time you go out with your new friends instead of them. Remember, Scorpio, you're a great person and naturally everyone wants to be around you. There's nothing wrong with getting to know lots of different people, but you'd better keep in touch with the ones who have stood by you. They're the ones who will be there in the end as long as you don't mess things up now.

Sagittarius (11/22-12/21) Well, Sagittarius, you sure have become quite the little comedian lately. Between your routines, though, you might want to make sure you consider peoples' feelings while you're harping on their faults to get a few laughs. When a bunch of people get together, you just can't help yourself...your mouth opens wide and keeps moving. Sure, it's nice to be the center of attention, but it's not a real compliment if you're getting attention at someone else's expense.

Capricorn (12/22-1/19) OK, so you've been running around and you're super busy...well, looks like you're the typical college student so you'd better get used to it. Hello! We're here to give you a wake-up call. Have you ever heard of the phrase "deal with it"?! You're not the only one with a ton and a half of things to do. Keep that in mind the next time you go and complain to a friend - they're in the same boat as you are, so just get over it!

Aquarius (1/20-2/18) So, you've done a few things lately that are out of character for you. What's the problem exactly? Maybe you need a character adjustment, or maybe you did such things for a reason that you're just not sharing right now. Either way, there's no reason to feel frustrated with everything going on. You ought to consider how you feel about things and what the next step is. Keep in mind that everything you do affects those around you so if you aren't sure what you want, you shouldn't go around telling people otherwise.

Pisces (2/19-3/20) So, you're in a slump, huh? Well, there is no reason to fret about things. Just like everything else, good and bad moods balance out. You seem sort of unhappy with a relationship you have. Remember that all relationships include more than just you, so when you approach the person, leave your attitude and selfishness out of it. Keep a clear head about things and don't do anything too sudden because you'll probably end up regretting it. Watch what you say out of haste...you don't want to say things that are hurtful and unintentional, do you?

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Ransom sure to be a hit

by Janet Maslin
Syndicated columnist

It's an escapist pleasure to watch Ron Howard put his expert new thriller through its paces. Howard has made "Ransom" in the same clean, swift, logical style that sent his "Apollo 13" into orbit, resulting in a spellbinding crime tale that delivers surprises right down to the wire.

Howard once specialized in big, bland extravaganzas (like "The Paper," "Far and Away" and "Backdraft"). But his two most recent films are definitely in a different league. He has become one of the few contemporary film makers able to do sharp, interesting work without violating the tenets of three-act, high-gloss Hollywood story telling. "Ransom" may lack the thrilling subject matter of "Apollo 13," but it shares that film's respect for the viewer's intelligence and its crisp, alert way of always staying one step ahead of the game.

The first-rate credentials of "Ransom" don't stop with its director. The screenplay, written by Richard Price and Alexander Ignon and loosely based on a 1956 kidnapping story of the same title (which was itself based on a television play), bristles with Price's distinctive dialogue.

The film's sleek good looks are uncommonly effective, thanks to cinematography by Piotr Sobocinski, who recalls the visual elegance he brought to Krzysztof Kieslowski "Red." And its casting is particularly astute. The Hollywood thriller that can comfortably accommodate both Mel Gibson and Lili Taylor is hardly run of the mill.

Telling a story sure to rattle parents in the audience, "Ransom" introduces a solidly fine Gibson as Tom Mullen, the brash airline executive whom Business Week once nicknamed "Mr. Risk."

High above Fifth Avenue, Tom lives in lordly, tasteful grandeur with his devoted wife, Kate (Rene Russo), and their 9-year-old son, Sean. (The boy is played briefly but memorably by Brawley Nolte, Nick Nolte's son, who has inherited his father's acting genes.) The film doesn't dwell long on this privileged serenity. It takes Howard only a few efficient moves to reach a well-staged suspense sequence showing how Sean is kidnapped in Central Park.

"Ransom" then establishes its rival camps, with a very nice FBI man (Delroy Lindo), who helps the Mullens, and a rogue New York cop (Gary Sinise) who severely complicates the investigation. The ragtag family of kidnappers includes Liev Schreiber, Donnie Wahlberg, Evan Handler and the brilliant Ms. Taylor, whose pitiless treatment of Sean is one of the film's scariest ingredients.

While the film's violence is capped by Howard's essential decency and the fact that this is a film from Touchstone, the Disney subsidiary, "Ransom" can still be startlingly cold-blooded. When the kindest of the kidnappers is advised to stop sneaking candy bars to Sean, he's told: "You might be making beds in a burning house."

Gibson, abandoning his trademark joviality to give a shaken, tautly effective performance, brings to "Ransom" several qualities that it desperately needs. He's able to make Tom Mullen the rare zillionaire tycoon whom audiences might actually find sympathetic. (It also helps that the screenplay gives Tom an Achilles' heel: a guilty conscience over a secret payoff to a union official, which may have helped arouse the kidnappers' anger at the Mullen family.)

Even more crucially, Gibson has his Mad Max side, and it bursts forth when the film takes its most high-concept twist. Like Glenn Ford, a more noble and civic-minded hero in the earlier "Ransom," Tom decides not to pay the kidnappers. Two million dollars is only peanuts by Tom's standards, but he'd rather make it a bounty than a payoff. He becomes one more Hollywood vigilante; the criminals have made him that furious. In a feverish phone conversation with Tom's main antagonist (and a sequence edited for maximum tension), Gibson clenches his face and shouts so angrily that even his chest turns red.

Another thing that elevates "Ransom" above the ranks of ordinary intrigue is that this is not the end of the story. The film's third act turns out to be its most diabolically gripping, for reasons that should not be spoiled by an explanation here. During this part of the story, Howard manages to work suspense into every little hiccup of the story, with only a final stroke of visual pretension to mar the effect. "Ransom" has been pulsating along too fiercely in living color to need a closing slow-motion fade to black and white.

Sinise, in a role that brings out the best of his brooding presence and offers the audience one more piquant surprise, delivers a choice little speech about "The Time Machine" that captures the film's central dichotomy.

The story's have and have-not characters are starkly contrasted, with Ms. Taylor's bitter, mercurial kidnapper at an opposite compass point from Gibson's complacent businessman. The idea sounds simplistic, but in a thriller this unabashed it yields shrewd, powerful ironies as the film unfolds. Michael Corenblith's dazzling production design, hitting extremes from the lullingly sumptuous to the dangerously seedy, plays upon the film's full range of tricky maneuvers about how the other half lives.

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Sleepers - 9:30
Romeo and Juliet - 1:30, 4:50, 7:30, 10:10, 12:20
Space Jam - 1:00, 2:00, 3:10, 4:50, 5:20, 7:00, 7:30, 9:10, 9:40, 11:30
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Space Jam appeals to kids

by Janet Maslin
Syndicate writer

Space Jam may well be the only film in which Looney Tunes characters openly discuss merchandising tie-ins. As Daffy Duck asks Bugs Bunny when the subject of mugs and T-shirts comes up, "You ever see any money from that stuff?"

Maybe Bugs doesn't, but somebody will. "Space Jam" is all about salesmanship, though it also turns out to be a reasonably good big-screen baby sitter for small children with savvy commercial tastes.

It's both a frantic, innovative mixture of animation technologies and a fan magazine full of adulation for Michael Jordan. He handles this tribute with regal bearing and good grace.

As a sports star so celebrated that even the backs of his ears are famous, Jordan needs to do little more here than show off his sportsmanship and play ball. (Typical line: "Let's just go out and have fun.") It's baseball at first, which gives the one enterprising twist to an otherwise near-plotless spectacle.

Jordan is first seen giving up basketball to try baseball, and the film makes knowing jokes about this switch. After all, it saves Jordan from being nabbed by animated space aliens who bewitch the film's other basketball stars.

(Parents who know they won't resist the juggernaut of "Space Jam" should take a popcorn break at this point. Skip the next two paragraphs. Also feel free to ignore this information when you see it on screen.)

Somewhere in animated outer space, a bunch of brightly colored bugs called Nerdlucks need a new attraction for Moron Mountain, their amusement park. They decide to kidnap all the Looney Tunes characters. Then Bugs challenges the Nerdlucks to a basketball game.

The Nerdlucks, being wily (and with Danny DeVito as their ringleader), morph themselves into big, mean basketball aces by sapping the talents of Patrick Ewing, Charles Barkley, Muggsey Bogues and others.

But the Nerdlucks don't catch Michael Jordan. Since they're from another planet, they are able to mistake him for a baseball player, which no real earthling would do. Still, Jordan does not stay out of the fray. He's out playing golf with Bill Murray and Larry Bird when he gets sucked down a hole and dragged into Looneyland for the big game.

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Shakespeare with a twist...the new Romeo and Juliet

by Janet Maslin
Syndicated columnist

While Shakespeare spins, the madly flamboyant film maker Baz Luhrmann ("Strictly Ballroom") invents a whole new vocabulary for a story of star-crossed young love. It calls for pink hair, screaming billboards, tabloid television stories, music-video editing and a little hot dog shack called Rosencrantzky's on Verona Beach. Wherefore art thou? A good question, and not just for Romeo. Why bury "Romeo and Juliet" amid all this creative ferment? Where is the audience willing to watch a classic play thrown in the path of a subway train?

"I liked the original better: Franco Zeffirelli's," said a man behind me leaving a screening of the euphemistically titled "William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet." Maybe so, but Mr. Zeffirelli's lush, traditional 1968 film was made in, and for, another world. Mr. Luhrmann's frenetic hodgepodge actually amounts to a witty and sometimes successful experiment, an attempt to reinvent "Romeo and Juliet" in the hyperkinetic vocabulary of post-modern kitsch. This is headache Shakespeare, but there's method to its madness.

So Romeo and Juliet, meet Tommy. And brace yourselves for the Ken Russell treatment that Mr. Luhrmann uses to pummel this text. Drawing on a wild cavalcade of pop iconography, he tries a fascinating array of tricks, with results that are guaranteed to be uneven. This risky gambit collapses whenever the film becomes too shrill or runs out of new whimsy. Even at its startling best, it's as exhausting as it is bold.

The biggest inconsistency to Mr. Luhrmann's approach involves the language of the play, which is treated as sacrosanct when everything else about the film reflects radical revisionism.

In such an otherwise irreverent context, this amounts to undue pretension, since so much of the dialogue is lost and upstaged anyhow. Fortunately, this film's young lovers, played radiantly by Claire Danes and Leonardo DiCaprio, have the requisite magic and speak their lines with passionate conviction. They remain rapt and earnest even when some of the film's frantic minor players might as well be speaking in tongues.

With an opening sequence edited in the high-voltage style of a movie trailer, this "Romeo and Juliet" does not initially promise much in the way of sincerity.

As he introduces the Capulets and the Montagues as two warring Florida street gangs, screaming threats and driving cars with vanity plates ("CAP 005"), Mr. Luhrmann starts the film at full fever pitch. He hurls the audience into a world where clothes, graffiti, signs and billboards become Shakespearean artifacts with a touch of camp. Catherine Martin's gaudy, spectacular production design is high drama in its own right.

By the same logic that turned Juliet's balcony into a Manhattan fire escape for "West Side Story," this film draws on watery settings so that its lovers can quite literally take the plunge, and it nearly turns the Capulets' costume ball into "Priscilla, Queen of Verona." (Mercutio, played by Harold Perrineau, is now a black drag queen in a white wig.) Dressed to ravishing effect as a knight and an angel, Romeo and Juliet meet here and bring the film to a much-needed mood change.

The frenzy gives way to a tenderness that makes sense in any language, or with no language at all, as Mr. Luhrmann lets the camera swirl adoringly around the film's young stars. Just when "Romeo and Juliet" has almost fatally pushed its luck — with the sight of Paul Sorvino raving in purple spangles as Juliet's father, say, or with many comparable affronts — it is still able to summon flashes of purity and beauty.

Eventually switching gears too often and sinking under the weight of its random excesses, "Romeo and Juliet" still sustains a remarkable amount of fire. Among its more striking inventions are Sycamore Grove, where Romeo does his brooding, imagined as a seaside stage, and the banishment of Romeo to a trailer in this desert. Pete Postlethwaite, as a tattooed Father Laurence, and Miriam Margolyes, as Juliet's zesty nurse, are among the actors who successfully compete with the scenery. It's a daunting task.

When the film cooks up a thousand-candle bier for Juliet, it moves fully into the garish realm of rock video, but many of its small touches actually show a droll restraint. And when a tropical storm at the beach mirrors the action in its fury, Mr. Luhrmann briefly but successfully achieves what the whole film is after: a visual universe fully in tune with the characters' ageless passions. "William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet" is rated PG-13 (Parents strongly cautioned). It includes violence, nudity, one bedroom scene and profanity that is understandably quaint.

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Cabaret wows crowd

by Jenny-Lynn Knotek
Weekly Magazine writer

Cabaret, the MTA production this fall, was presented in Empie Theatre this past week as well as Parents' Weekend. The play, with a strong leading cast as well as a stunning director, had raving performances each night.

John Moletress, portraying the Master of Ceremonies, had several remarkable performances as the lead role. From dancing with a gorilla, to dancing drag with the Kit Kat Girls, to romping in bed with two maids, Moletress made every humorous scene that much more delectable to the eye. However, he also came through on the ending scenes, which called for very serious signs of dimentia. Through it all, Moletress was by far the star of the play, the one that everyone wanted to see scene after scene, playing with the audience through all of his on stage antics.

Not that the any of the other leads should be forgotten. Amy Armstrong, portraying the glamorous Sally Bowles, Kit Kat Girl who longs for more, carried her character above and beyond the mediocre. Throughout the play, Armstrong added the charisma of the English that sets her character apart from her German counterparts. Her acting as well as her singing made her character perhaps the most animated on the stage.

Eric Werner, playing Clifford Bradshaw, the wandering writer, lends himself well to the American who befriends Sally. Werner plays well off Armstrong, balancing her very animate acting with his more rational, plain style.

John Dowgin, the Nazi Ernst Ludwig, plays his character with just enough to make him appear so kind and goodhearted to Clifford, that the audience can hardly believe is political siding when he reveals it later in the play. Dowgin, a rising actor after many Black Box productions, is an incredibly actor, using not only his own acting abilities, but definitely playing off of others as well.

Lara Muth, the spinster Fraulein Schneider, did not surprise the audience with her incredible talent for the stage; what was a surprise was how evenly her voice matched it. During "What Would You Do?" the audience was held spellbound by how gracefully she combined the voice and the stage.

Edgar DuPont, playing opposite Muth as the widow Herr Schultz, again had a great performance. His mastery of combining the comic and the tragic are delightfully brought out in *Cabaret,* during the aftermath of the engagement party.

Although her part had no songs, Alicia Pax Guevara made a delight of Fraulein Kost, the devilish girl so very fond of sailors. Her comic relief, as well as the mismatched antic dancing of Joshua Beiler and Ryan Gardner (Bobby and Victor) added to the sexy humor of the play itself.

Not to be forgotten when talking of the sexy humor of *Cabaret*, the Kit Kat Girls were unbelievable. The erotic dancing, as well as the slinky, hardly-there costumes made the ladies a hot number, numerous times throughout the performance. The most memorable of these was perhaps during Moletress' "The Money Song," where the yen, franc, and other divisions of money were characterized by several dancers. The others wore daisy dukes imprinted with the dollar bill. The show was much more enjoyable with the Kit Kat Girls, especially their antics with Moletress.

Directing *Cabaret,* Charles Richter again does a great job. Richter, along with choreographer Karen Dearborn and musical director Ken Butler, created a masterpiece of the play, beautifully entertaining both eye and ear.

Bugs jams with basketball great

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Jordan shot and dribbled among figures in special green suits, who were later replaced by animated versions of everyone from Tweety Bird to Foghorn Leghorn to Yosemite Sam.

The juxtaposition of human and animated figures is very skillful, thanks to direction by Joe Pytka, a star director of television commercials. Pytka never need have a visual idea that lasts longer than 30 seconds here, thanks to the film's scriptless state and giddy, cacophonous style. This film was made very quickly by animation standards, and the haste shows.

"Space Jam" is also the brainchild of Ivan Reitman, who is one of the producers and whose own films ("Ghostbusters," "Stripes," "Kindergarten Cop") also value high-concept thinking and loose, wisecracking style.

In the energetic, mishmash manner of a Mad magazine parody, the film simply throws in every gag and non sequitur it can think of. ("I didn't know Dan Aykroyd was in this picture," says someone or something, misidentifying Murray.)

Crammed with pop and sports references, the film also kids about its own crassness. One character succeeds in plugging Hanes, Wheaties, Gatorade and a Big Mac in a single sentence.

Wayne Knight, as Jordan's devoted gofer, is around to provide comic relief, which means being squashed flat by the film's animation tricks. Also on hand, in all their collective glory, are the celebrities of the Looney Tunes world. "Space Jam" is as much a fond tribute to their past as it is a product-plugging, high-tech, hip-hopping thing of the future.

"Space Jam" is rated PG (Parental guidance suggested). It's mildly rude but fine for young children.

Streisand hits the big screen

by Janet Maslin
Syndicate writer

In "The Mirror Has Two Faces," Barbra Streisand plays a shy, unglamorous college professor whose finer qualities go unappreciated by the people in her life.

As an actress she's on familiar and solid ground with such a role, but Ms. Streisand has produced and directed this romantic comedy, too. Elaborately lighted, carefully coiffed and always the center of attention, she can play plain Jane with the broadest of winks, like Grandma being impersonated by the Big Bad Wolf.

Ms. Streisand keeps this disingenuousness light and amusing during the film's glossy first hour. Then she demolishes her audience's good will with hubris that goes through the roof. Beguiling as she can be in duckling roles, she becomes insufferable as this story's gloating swan.

And this film, unlike her much more accomplished "Prince of Tides," cannot fall back on a bigger, better story whenever the issue of the star's appearance and lovableness ceases to be Topic A.

We know that Rose Morgan (Ms. Streisand) is nice because she has a hearty appetite, frumps about in her pink bathrobe and hollers, "Aw, ya stupid bum!" while watching a Yankees game.

But she is overshadowed by her vain, decadent sister (Mimi Rogers) and vain, pushy mother (Lauren Bacall). Or at least that's what the screenplay says; the film's visual style does everything possible to contradict it. Rarely does Ms. Streisand appear in a two-shot without glowing twice as brightly as the person on the other side of the frame.

Then Rose's sister arranges a meeting between Rose and Gregory Larkin, a brilliant mathematician played by Jeff Bridges, who has never before had to mention both Socrates and Descartes in the same movie.

Bridges, groomed to hunky perfection as the film's pet man, manages to make himself quite funny and charming in the deadpan role of a humorless professor. Greg is the Ralph Bellamy type. "It's like you're having a math party and you only invited yourself," Rose tells him once the two of them hit it off.

Rose and Greg have great times in romantic settings, which the film captures invitingly. But something is wrong. Greg, having been clumsily seduced and abandoned by Elle MacPherson in a scene meant to establish him as heterosexual, has decided that physical contact with women is a bad idea.

Still, he wants to marry Rose so they can share some form of platonic perfection that only Greg understands. It involves twin beds, nervous excuses and Greg's saying things like: "Trees! They're so fascinating. They don't even have to touch to propagate."

As written by the enterprising Richard LaGravenese with an emphasis on lively wisecracks for Ms. Streisand, this material might even have worked if reality had been allowed to intrude. But Greg is left one-dimensional and unexplained, looking more than a little weird before the story is over.

And Rose is made a monument to pretzel feminism. Beginning to feel insulted by a man who likes her for her mind, she twists her thinking and trumpets her independence by being made over as a Cosmo girl.

Makeup goes on. Hair turns blond. Rose goes shopping. And the film, which earlier incorporated a portrait of President Clinton, now plugs Donna Karan. "What? What?" cries Rose, while teaching her English class in a low-cut black dress. "Yes, I have breasts! They cannot, however, be the subject of one of your papers." Rose's students laugh admiringly. They often do.

"If physical appearance doesn't matter, then what's wrong with this appearance?" Rose asks defiantly. Nothing, except the film never believed appearances didn't matter in the first place, and Rose's cosmetic triumph is so gratingly overdone.

Pierce Brosnan, as the secondary pet man who once jilted Rose, now sees the error of his ways. Bridges actually spits his coffee while doing a double-take. "I don't care if you are pretty!" he finally tells her. "I love you!"

And Greg and Rose, who may at long last be deciding to have sex as the final credits roll, are seen doing a stiff, endless, faux-happy tango in the middle of the street. This scene is staged by the only director on the planet who wouldn't have yelled "Cut!"

The overkill of "The Mirror Has Two Faces" is partly offset by Ms. Streisand's genuine diva appeal. The camera does love her, even with a gun to its head. And she's able to wring sympathy and humor from the first half of this role.

The film also has a big asset in Ms. Bacall, though she plays a mother so targeted for disapproval that she might as well be wearing a bull's-eye on her back. Ignoring all that, and delivering her lines with trademark tart panache, Ms. Bacall cuts an elegant and sardonic figure. Ms. Rogers, as Rose's crass sister, is also naughty fun.

"The Mirror Has Two Faces" is rated PG-13 (parents strongly cautioned). It includes mild profanity, brief bedroom scenes and no real sex.

Lehigh Valley artist exhibits at Muhlenberg

Information courtesy of public relations

Mark Wonsidler, of Allentown, will showcase new sculptures at Muhlenberg College's Martin Art Gallery at the Dorothy and Dexter Baker Center for the Arts December 7, 1996 through January 12, 1997. The gallery is open Tuesday through Sunday from noon until five in the evening.

Wonsidler's work has been exhibited at the Allentown Art Museum and Delaware Center for Contemporary Art. Using nature as both his inspiration and material, Wonsilder transforms leaves, flowers, pinecones and nests into delicate small scale sculptures and mixed media pieces. His new formal language results in sculptures which quietly dazzle the senses. The sheer beauty of this exhibition reminds the viewer of the power of art and the vitality of nature.

Wonsidler received his BFA from The School of Visual Arts, New York, where he studied with internationally renown artists, Alice Aycock, Georgia Marsh, and Faith Ringgold. He has held faculty position at Mercyhurst College, The New Jersey Summer Arts Institute and The Baum School of Art.

Columnist praises Housing member

An Outside Perspective
by Mark Koup

From time to time, I would like to shift the focus of this column to things related directly to Muhlenberg College. I usually try to highlight events or other parts of society that I find erroneous, disturbing, or energizing. In this article, I want to recognize a person at Muhlenberg who is making a difference; housing director John Kane.

John is a recent Muhlenberg graduate who was hired during the summer to replace Becky Grace, who previously held the position of housing director before being promoted. John was a member of the wrestling team and a brother in the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity during his undergraduate years. I believe his close connection with the students as a recent graduate, and his ability to attend to the needs of the students are two of his greatest attributes.

I have had the pleasure of dealing with John on two separate occasions this year, and I found that he is responsive to the desires of students, and willing to make every effort to meet their needs. He told me that his goal as director of housing is to have every student happy with their housing choice, and he is well on his way to making this happen. John was a member of the college planning group for New West Hall, and was an instrumental part in making it a reality for the students.

I hope Muhlenberg can retain John as housing director for as long as possible. His desire to help the students, and willingness to hear their needs is invaluable He is a great addition to the office of housing, and would be difficult to replace.

Couple accused in son's gruesome death

An Outside Perspective 2
by Mark Koup

According to police in Newark, Delaware a young North Jersey couple is suspected in killing their newborn son. Amy Grossberg and Brian Peterson allegedly delivered and then put the newborn child in a plastic bag and set him in a trash container in the parking lot of a Comfort Inn.

This event has shocked virtually everyone who knew the couple. Peterson, the father of this child, was described as a stellar athlete. Grossberg was said to be a budding artist with a very bright future. The couple grew up in a posh section of New Jersey close to New York City, where neighbors were stunned. The consensus was that they were good kids and that it was unbelievable that they are accused of this crime.

If it turns out that they are convicted, it is possible that they both receive the death penalty. I'm not sure what my feelings are regarding the possible punishment. I do know that there are many potential adopted parents who would have loved to raise the child that Grossberg and Peterson gave birth to. I can't conceive that if Grossberg was willing to bring the child to term, why they just didn't give him up for adoption. If the accused really did commit the crime, I wonder what their thoughts are now. How anyone could cause the death of their own child is frankly despicable and inconceivable.

According to Grossberg's attorney, who was quoted in The Philadelphia Inquirer, the prosecutors "rushed to judgment". I somehow just can't believe this is true. After all, O.J. Simpson's lawyers claimed the prosecutors rushed to judgment in his case as well.

This is a case when someone's actions can make a person be ashamed to be human. I hope the jury in the trial of these two kids can be unbiased and fair. I don't think I could be.

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Letters to the Editor

What makes a criminal?

To the Editors:

In his October 31 column about the October 24-25 rioting in St. Petersburg, Florida, columnist Mark Koup writes that the black man shot by a white police officer was a "criminal." This is not accurate.

The victim, 18-year-old Tyrone Lewis, had been stopped by two police officers for speeding. The police department reported that as the officers approached Lewis' car, Lewis did not roll down his window and the car lurched forward with its wheels turned towards the officers, at which point on of the officers fired several shots at Lewis, who was still inside the car and who died on the way to the hospital. Other eye-witnesses, however, reported different versions of the shooting. One said that the officer had his hands on the hood of the car, which had slowly moved a short distance forward, when he fired the shots; another said that Lewis had his hands up when he was shot. Lewis was the sixth person killed by a St. Petersburg police officer in 1996.

At the time of the shooting, Lewis had not been charged with any crime, including speeding, much less adjudicated and found guilty. Under American criminal jurisprudence, Lewis, like any other American citizen, was innocent becuse he had not been proven guilty of any crime. I agree that, to paraphrase Koup, criminals should be held accountable for their crimes, regardless of race. But let's be clear about what makes someone a criminal in the U.S. Being wanted or stopped by the police, being charged with a crime, or even being in police custody prior to trial do not make one a criminal.

It is interesting to note that there has recently been a great outcry of public indignation about what Richard Jewell experienced after being identified by the FBI as a suspect in the bombing at the Olympics. But when an innocent black man is SHOT DEAD by police, we have no similar expressions of outrage. Instead we hear that in situations like this racism is alleged as, in Koup's words, "an excuse" and "a facade." How, then, do we explain the public's different reactions to what happened to these two men?

Sincerely,
Patrice DiQuinzio
Director of Women's Studies
Assistant Professor of Philosophy

Editor thanks contributors

To the Muhlenberg Community:

So, another semester for *The Weekly* has drawn to a close. This has not been an easy semester for *The Weekly* by any stretch of the imagination. Working with less than a bare minimum staff, we have managed to continue publishing. This is due to the hard work of a dedicated few. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Heather Brown and Brian Teta who have served as the only section editors. Each has been forced to do more work than section editors in the past and both have come through with flying colors. Brian has done much of the behind the scenes organization and has been instrumental in teaching other staff members how to use the computer system. He has also dealt with the many computer problems we have encountered this semester. Heather came into the job with no experience this semester and spent a great deal of time learning how to layout. She has worked hard to build a staff and produces a section that many people with year's experience could not. Our new finance staff has also been a big help. Brett Coplin and Jenn Harrisson have helped to increase ad revenue and sort out the finances of *The Weekly*.

I would also like to thank our faculty advisor, Dr. Schillinger. She has been instrumental in making many things happen for the staff. Without her help, there would have definitely been no newspaper this semester or next.

In addition, there are those who contribute to *The Weekly* every week, our columnists. People have come to count on their horoscope from Sherry Fazio and Jen Zwirn as well as the humorous opinion column by Mark Koup. These people find time to write every week.

Now it is time to look to next semester, and it is looking much better. We have been able to find an editor for every section in addition to a photography editor. Ad revenue will continue to climb without a doubt and hopefully we will be able to publish longer, more in depth stories and issues.

Once again, thank you to everyone who has helped to make the newspaper possible this semester. I really appreciate everyone's effort and hard work.

Sincerely,
Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief
The Muhlenberg Weekly

Soccer team loses in first round of playoffs

by Seth Leichter
Weekly Sports Writer

Saturday November 9, the Muhlenberg Men's Soccer Team was 10-5-4 overall and 6-1-1 in the conference.

Their playoff hopes were dismal. The team was expecting to finish out a solid season that included the development of some young emerging stars due to injuries. An NCAA Tournament bid seemed out of reach as they went into their final game at Ursinus.

The team was foreshadowing an ECAC Tournament bid. The Mules did not let this get them down however as they stormed into Ursinus and crushed them by a 7-0 shutout.

This was a prelude of things to come.

A few days later, Coach Tipping received a call that would alter the team's destiny for the 1996 campaign.

The 7-1-1 Centennial Conference record and 11-4-4 overall did not seem to be good enough to warrant a NCAA bid.

To the delight of Tipping and the team, it actually was. The team was offered an invitation to fight for the national title. This was their seventh bid in eight years.

The Mules had a big mountain to climb however as in the first round they drew the fourth ranked Elizabethtown in the Mid-Atlantic Region.

In September, the Mules lost to then #6 ranked E'Town 4-1 in overtime, so this was a team that the Mules wanted a piece of and had a score to settle with.

Elizabethtown uses a dump and chase style of offense that is bolstered by some strong forwards and a midfield that excels in ball control and forechecking.

The Mules used a 3-4-3 formation to pressure their backs and make it hard for them to dump the ball into the Mules end, and to keep possession by utilizing the four midfielders.

The Mules strategy was to counter-attack Elizabethtown's lofting dumps into their defensive end.

In the early going, the Mules were having trouble keeping possession of the ball and distributing their passes out to the wings.

To remedy this, they started imitating the E'Town offense and began to dump the ball in hopes of creating some scoring chances.

Elizabethtown's defense controlled the tempo for the majority of the first half which ultimately led to the first goal of the game in which an E'Town forward eluded a Mule defender on the wing and unleashed a cross to the center of the penalty box which was redirected past goalie Jake Schmidt.

The Mules went into half-time with their backs against the wall and their season hanging in the balance.

The beginning of the second half was more of the same as Elizabethtown controlled the tempo as they looked to add an insurance goal and move to the second round.

But as anyone who has followed this team throughout the season knows, one would be a fool to take the Mules for granted. As they have shown all season with their 'never say die' attitude, the Mules battled back yet again.

With about 20 minutes already expired in the second half, the Mules turned their intensity up a notch and began to control the tempo.

And as we all know, when a team controls the tempo of a game, good things start to happen.

That is exactly what happened. Freshman standout Jason Van Wormer countercrossed the ball on a would be Elizabethtown scoring chance that was misplayed by the E'Town keeper.

Junior Sean Topping was pushing up from the midfield, capitalized on the miscue headed it into the back of the net, thus tying the score at 1-1 and reviving the Mules chance of advancing.

After the goal, the Mules continued to control the tempo until the 37 minute mark, when goalie Jacob Schmidt came out of the net to retrieve a ball and collided with Sean Topping and an E'Town forward.

To much of the chagrin of Schmidt and the Mules, the referee called a foul on Schmidt which resulted in a penalty kick.

For your information, it is very rare that a penalty is called on the goalie so this call caused a lot of controversy. As it turned out, the shot went to the left as Jake dove right. This unfortunate turn of events gave E'Town a 2-1 edge.

For the remainder of the game, Elizabethtown ate up the clock, and Muhlenberg could not capitalize to tie the score as it ended 2-1.

The Mules ended their 1996 season with an 11-5-4 record. The team also boasted three first team all-Centennial Conference members in juniors Todd Ervin(6-6-18) and Sean Topping((1-6-8).

The lone Senior recieved first team honors as well. Goalie Jacob Schmidt started all 20 games and had a 0.65 goals against average, and a .871 save percentage allowing only 13 goals in 1808 minutes played.

Second team honors went to juniors Eric Hohman(7-0-14) and Mike Finn(1-0-2).

Basketball team is prepared to meet challenge

by Seth Leichter
Weekly Sports Writer

In Seeger's Union, fundraising for the Scotty Wood tournament has appeared. That can only mean one thing, it's about the middle of November, and the 1996 basketball season is about to commence.

Last year the Mules finished with a 13-12 record overall and an 8-5 conference record which got them a share of the Eastern Division title with Haverford.

In the Centennial Conference Championships, the Mules lost to the undefeated rivals, Franklin and Marshall.

The 1996-97 team boasts good depth with seven returning lettermen and five newcomers that could have an immediate impact.

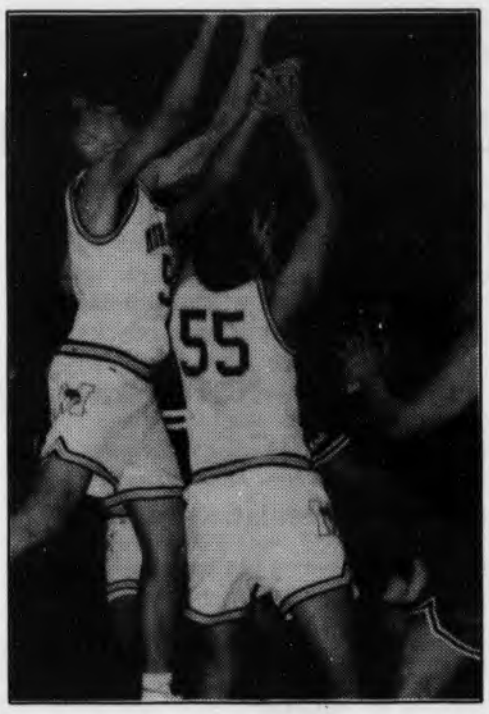
This mix of returning players and new players could make for a team that will utilize virtually their whole bench.

This is a characteristic that most coaches dream of. The team only has one player returning who averaged over ten points per game.

This should not be a problem because of the added depth to this year's squad.

The depth hopefully will yield a balanced attack in which a variety of players will provide scoring.

Coach Madeira has constructed an offense in which the players will push the ball after rebounds and opposing baskets in hope of creating easy buckets.



If an easy basket is not attainable, the team will set up in a motion offense in which all five players screen in the post and then flash out onto the wings which will allow for open shots and mismatches down low near the basket due to the height advantage of the backcourt.

In the past, the Mules' tough defense has been their recipe for success.

This year, the team's defense has tremendous potential, but still needs to smooth out some of the rough edges.

The team will be playing man to man defense about 95% of the time so as not to give opposing shooters a decent look at the hoop.

Today, the player's ability to shoot makes it hard to play a zone defense because it gives the shooter too much room to maneuver.

Coach Madeira is coaching what he describes as a fast break defense in which players recover back to their basket in order to prevent easy baskets.

Some other major points he asserted were the importance of protecting the lane from any penetration and limiting the high percentage shot.

In addition, he wants to molest the shooter as much as possible and finish the play by boxing out underneath, and not allowing any second chances for the opposition to score.

This Friday at 8:00, the Mules open the season against RPI. RPI is one of the toughest home openers ever.

Last year they advanced to the Sweet 16 in the tourney, losing to F&M, the same team that knocked Muhlenberg out of the Conference Championships.

RPI plays an extremely aggressive style of basketball that features man to man defense and a running offense that attacks the basket with quick shots while the team crashes the boards with tenacity.

Their attacking offense and pressure defense, along with good coaching help them win ballgames.

The other game in the tournament on Friday features two solid teams in Allentown College and Muskingum.

Allentown had a good year last year with a strong nucleus. They beat Muhlenberg last year and recieved an invite to the NCAA"S.

Muskingum comes from a very tough Ohio Conference and features a strong group of players.

The Mules have tri-captains this year in Senior Bob Miller, a 6'4" power forward/center, and juniors Mike Queenan 6'3" guard and Matt Henrieh a 6'4" swingman who plays guard and forward.

Sportsradio WMUH Debuts

by Brian Teta
Sports Editor

Sports fans can tune into *Sportsradio WMUH* this Sunday night at 7:00 PM for Scotty Wood results, player interviews and *Dick Vitale!*

That's right, college basketball's best known broadcasting personality is just one of the many high profile sports celebrities making appearances on the newly restructured *Sportsradio*.

The program's co-hosts Doug Feldman and Todd Garretson have scored interviews with the likes of Philadelphia Inquirer columnist Bill Lyon, New York Knicks color analyst John Andariese, New York Daily News sports writer Dick "Hoops" Weiss, CBS college basketball analyst Billy Packer, Long-time Temple basketball coach John Chaney and the voice of the Philadelphia Eagles, Merril Reese.

Feldman, who does double duty as WMUH's Sports Director, has been the play-by-play man for the Mules football and basketball teams for the past two years.

In addition Feldman hosted the hour-long *Sportsradio* with a variety of co-hosts until finding the proper chemistry with Mule color analyst Garretson.

Sportsradio's new format, which splits up Muhlenberg and national sports coverage, debuted last week and was a huge success.

"Our goal is to take the show to a new level. In booking these types of guests, we are doing something the station has never seen before.", said Garretson.

However, booking coups like Vitale did not come easily. Feldman and Garretson have spent many painstaking hours establishing contacts and attending media events in order to spread the show's reputation.

"What really motivates us is trying to see what big names we can get on the show", Feldman said. The work has paid off so far and possible interviews on the horizon include Los Angeles Laker Kobe Bryant, NBA coaching legend Chuck Daly, NBA great Kareem-Abdul Jabbar, and one of basketball's premiere broadcasters Marv Albert.

"The key is that when you interview a knowledgeable subject, you make sure that you are prepared. They respect that and it comes across in the interview.", Garretson said.

Sports fanatics can join the broadcasters this, and every Sunday night at 7:00. Tune in to 91.7 cause you never know who else might drop by.....

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Theatre festival excites Muhlenberg

Participants come from entire region

by Lauren Casa
News Editor

The Muhlenberg Campus was alive this week with over 600 students from almost 60 colleges participating in the annual American College Theatre Festival (ACTF) for Region two.

The Festival allows a select group of students form New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware and New York to compete in a four day long theatre competition. Much of the competing took place at the Days Inn in Allentown and the Center of the Arts.

Of the participants, two winners, two finalists and one production are chosen to advance to the National American College Festival in Washington, D.C. There they compete for the Irene Ryan Scholarship.

In order to be entered in the Region two ACTF competition, judges from ACTF judge the production at the college and then select the actors, directors and crew members who they feel are qualified to partake in the Festival.

This year from Muhlenberg, the 10 nominees were seniors John Dowgin, Eric Werner and Eric Clavell, junior Bill Vonroth, sophomores Amy Armstrong, Adam Matyseck, Allison McConomy, John Moletress, Eli Katz and freshman Angelica Pinna-Perez. Sophomore Eli Katz advanced the farthest and represented Muhlenberg in the semi-finals.

Among other participating universities were Syracuse, Bloomsburg, Allentown College, The University of Maryland and Lafayette College. As senior John Dowgin, President of the Muhlenberg Theatre Association, explains, "there were 639 students participating this year in total. This is the largest attendance in the history of the region."

This is the sixth year Muhlenberg has been chosen to host ACTF. "Muhlenberg is at the center of the region, therefore it is very accessible. In previous years, ACTF was held in Buffalo, but because of its distant location, Muhlenberg was the better choice" remarked Dowgin.

ACTF was made possible through "a collaboration of the theatre department," says senior Abra Pappa. Thanks to the tremendous efforts from Muhlenberg volunteers, ACTF was very successful.

Head of social events, sophomore Ashley Kenzer felt that ACTF was "a way of showing that theatre arts is still alive on campus." On a campus where disciplines such as the sciences dominate, the Festival was a welcome addition and a friendly change of pace.

John Dowgin was very pleased with the efforts provided from all volunteers. "I am very proud of the Muhlenberg volunteers who gave up a lot of their time to ACTF. Thanks to their hard work and dedication, the response from guests and faculty was unanimously positive."

Phi Beta Kappa features Neil Levine

by Lauren Casa
News Editor

Architecture expert, fine arts professor and author Neil Levine, was named the 1997 Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar and spoke to faculty, students and community members this past Tuesday.

During his lecture titled "Modern Architecture and the Automobile," Levine discussed how no single innovation of modern technology has affected the environment in the twentieth century as much as the automobile. "It is one thing that has changed the way in which we live more than anything else." Professor Levine's lecture explained "how much power automobiles have had over landscape." Architects have been forced to rethink the "way buildings are to be constructed so that they can accommodate automobiles."

Furthermore, automobiles have steadily become a dominant force in the technological world. As Professor Levine said, "automobiles have become the standard by which progress and change are measured in modern life" and he continues, "it's not as if we can escape from technology." If we can not escape from a life ruled by technology, more specifically automobiles, than we must construct buildings and structures that can accommodate them.

"Cities like St. Louis, Missouri have had to change entire areas of buildings" in order to accommodate the heavy traffic and dense amount of cars.

An interesting point was raised by one audience member about how technology desensitizes people and causes them to be "impolite." When speaking about technological desensitization in terms of automobiles, Levine agreed that people become impolite. "When a mechanical object comes between you and another person, it is easy to become desensitized." Therefore, automobiles and technology are desensitizing agents which affect the structure and infrastructure of the world.

Professor Levine was named the Emmet Blakeny Gleason Professor of Fine Arts at Harvard in 1991. His honors and awards include the Mathews Lectureship from Columbia University; Sir Banister Fletcher

Kathryn Taylor to head Lehigh Valley Hospital's board

On December 4, 1996, Kathryn Taylor was selected chairman of Lehigh Valley Hospital's board. Taylor was selected to a year term as chairman and will serve as the board's first female chairman. She replaces outgoing chairman Irwin Greenberg who will remain on the board.

Taylor has some goals she hopes to work towards over the next two years. She wants to increase communication within the hospital and add more professional women to the board. Taylor will not overlook the day-to-day operations of the hospital or second-guess decisions made by administrators.

She said, "Directors need to understand their role. We do not want to micromange the hospital."

Taylor does not believe the board is not being run by a woman for the first time deliberately. Taylor is not sure why a woman chair had never been chosen. She said, "there was no effort to exclude women."

Taylor claims she is not new to being the first female. She spent a lifetime being the first woman in a business world dominated by men. She said, "I was told, 'We don't hire girls for management jobs.'"

Taylor received her B.A. in economics from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and did graduate work at New York University.

She started her career as an Associate in the Corporate Finance Department at the First Boston Corporation. She then followed her husband, Arthur Taylor, as an Assistant Treasurer at International Paper Company and a Vice-President of Planning for CBS until 1977. For the next three years, Taylor was employed by Phillip Morris. Then she moved to RCA as the Vice-President of Planning and Business Development for subsidiary NBC and was promoted to Vice-President of Strategic Planning for the entire corporation.

Most recently, Taylor worked for the Sanus Corporate Health Systems, a subsidiary of New York Life, as the Vice-President of Marketing and Product Development. Currently, Taylor is a principal in Woman Broadcasters, Inc., a company that consults with potential investors in radio stations.

Taylor now spends much time as a "professional spouse." She entertains guests with her husband, who is the President of Muhlenberg College. She also speaks to classes at the college and counsels students on career choices.

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News Digest

compiled by Alice Chumard

William Jefferson Clinton was sworn in for his second term as President of the United States on Monday, January 20. He declared the need for a new government for the new century, as well as plead for racial and political unity. On the note of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the President said that "Americans must reject prejudice and contempt cloaked in the pretense of religious or political convictions." The first family later attended a record 15 inaugural balls.

In Los Angeles, police are questioning two men about the murder of Ennis Cosby, son of comedian Bill Cosby. He was gunned down on January 16 when he stopped to change a flat tire in the Bel Air area. The police picked up the men for questioning after a woman saw them in a car matching a police sketch of the suspect's vehicle.

Three-year old twins found freezing in the snow are continuing to show improvement in Omaha, Nebraska's Children's Hospital. The girls were reported missing at 4:05 a.m. Friday, and were found before dawn. Both suffered from frostbite on their hands and feet. Kourtney Woracek was found barefoot; she is in stable condition. Jennifer was found without a coat; she was upgraded to fair condition.

In Algeria, nearly 100 people have been killed since the beginning of the Islamic month of Ramadan, a month supposedly of fasting, spiritual contemplation, and peace. It is the result of conflict between religious extremists, who have killed 60,000 in the past five years, and secular government. Islam is the second-largest and fastest-growing religion in the world. Muslims hate violence, but many are persuaded to it by the call for Islamic rule.

Doctors have recently learned that sufferers of heart disease can improve their blood flow in coronary arteries in six months, by aggressively lowering their cholesterol. If a patient lowers their cholesterol while taking drugs called "statins," it reduces his risk of heart attacks over a number of years. These drugs also quickly improve blood flow to oxygen-starved hearts. Previous studies of this treatment show reduction of the risk of heart attacks after three years, and also a reduction in the risk of having repeat bypass surgery. after four years.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that driver-side air bags are not helpful to the elderly. The air bags reduce crash fatalities among people 70 and older by only 1.5%. There are at least seven known elderly people who have died of injuries from air bags since 1990. The explosive force of the air bag is much more harmful for the elderly, who have rigid, fragile bones and arteries.

Otakar Kirchner, who won custody of his child, "Baby Richard," two years ago, has left the family home; the baby's mother is now caring for the child. The fight for Baby Richard became an issue of national debate over the rights of adoptive parents. The child, then 3, was taken from the adoptive parents in 1995, the court claiming that because the child's mother had lied to him, Kirchner had been denied his parental rights. Kirchner is now living in a hotel room, working on an "amicable separation" from his wife.

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Muhlenberg appoints new Community Srvice Director

Valerie T. Lane of Allentown has been named director of community service at Muhlenberg.

Lane's major responsibility is to lead the continuous improvement of the College's involvement in service programs which integrate service experiences with classroom work. In addition, Lane will oversee the many on-going community programs, expand student participation, service activities and create other special events. She will be the College's liaison to Allentown's community service groups.

"We are delighted to have Valerie as our director of community services. Her warm heart and caring spirit will serve the College community and our Lehigh Valley neighbors with great distinction," said Dr. Rudy Ehrenberg, Muhlenberg's Dean of Students.

Lane had served as temporary director of community services at Muhlenberg for several months in 1996 and also serves the College as an admissions counselor. Prior to that, Lane was coordinator of lay ministries for the Asbury United Methodist Church in Allentown and was a medical sales representative for two major pharmaceutical companies.

Lane earned her bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University. She is a school director on the Parkland School Board and is also a member of the Recruitment Advisory Board for the Miller Memorial Blood Center.

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Campus Safety Notes

Vehicle thefts remain a problem

1/1/97 - Vandalism - ATO - originally thought to be a burglary - only damage to side door
1/3/97 - Attempted theft and vandalism to vehicle - Liberty Street
1/3/97 - Unauthorized entry - SPE
1/5/97 - Unsecured property - TKE
1/6/97 - Harassment by Communications - Trumbower
1/6/97 - Injured Student - Life Sports Center
1/6/97 - Unsecured Property - TKE - 2nd floor patio
1/6/97 - Unsecured Property - ATO - Rear basement
1/8/97 - Information - Seeger's - 2 non-students were roller blading when a man driving an old grey 4-door car stopped them and said, "I like your roller blades."
1/12/97 - Vandalism - 3rd floor Walz - smashed fire extinguisher box
1/13/97 - Unauthorized person - North 23rd street - student who formerly lived in the house
1/14/97 - Theft - Seeger's Game Room - coin machine on pool table broken into
1/15/97 - Stolen vehicle - Memorial Hall lot - vehicle recovered downtown
1/15/97 - Vandalism - Walz - south door motion detector on key card system damaged
1/15/97 - Trespassing - Ettinger - two individuals selling pictures
1/15/97 - Trespass - Brown - employees of Joy Food soliciting
1/15/97 - Harassment by Communications - Prosser - call about food being delivered at door
1/15/97 - Lost property - 35mm camera
1/16/97 - Harassment by Communications - East - ex-boyfriend (non-student)
1/16/97 - Harassment by Communications - Prosser - no suspects
1/17/97 - Alarm sounding - ATO
1/17/97 - Harassment by Communications - Trumbower - no suspects
1/17/97 - Alcohol Violation - ML
1/17/97 - Alcohol Violation - MacGregor
1/18/97 - Unauthorized party - Hillside
1/18/97 - Vandalism - Prosser - motion detector key card system damaged
1/18/97 - Stolen Vehicle - Delta Zeta - car stolen off of city street in front of house - keys were left in the vehicle - car immediately recovered
1/19/97 - Vandalism to vehicle - 23rd & Chew streets - vehicle hit with paintball
1/19/97 - Sick Student and Alcohol Violation - ML
1/20/97 - Vehicle Accident - Chew Street
1/20/97 - Harassment by Communications - Walz - non-student
1/21/97 - Codes Violation - Ettinger - inappropriate use of computer systems

Message from Campus Safety: There have been at least 3 attempted thefts of vehicles. The Allentown Police Department and the Muhlenberg Campus Safety are working together to solve the cases. Members of the Muhlenberg Community need to be aware of suspicious people and call Campus Safety immediately.

Also, students ordering food that will be delivered need to be aware that all food must be picked-up at the front door of the building. If students see employees of these companies walking the halls delivering food or soliciting menus to call Campus Safety.

Look sharp and get hired

No, the OCDP is not acting as personal shopper for all those job-seeking students who would much rather spend the rest of their lives in sweats and baseball caps (although they can recommend proper attire for interviews. . .). Instead, the big news is that the OCDP is using today's exciting technologies to help students create and distribute their resumes to companies all over the country.

The job search process seems pretty overwhelming—we all worry about developing and perfecting our resumes and finding companies who are offering jobs that provide a good "fit" with our experiences and skills. Luckily for you job seekers, the recently introduced Resume Expert System provides a new way of facilitating this process. The Resume Expert System allows the user to create a resume on disk, upload it to the database maintained at the OCDP, and have access to the many companies who have already expressed an interest in Muhlenberg College students. the list of organizations that will receive resumes includes Drew University; Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; Johnson & Johnson; Capital Cities/ABC, Inc.; John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; Random House, Inc.; and The Vanguard Group Inc.

The Resume Expert System can save students the incredible amounts of time, money, energy, and aggravation often associated with writing a resume, identifying organizations that have openings for which the students is qualified, and locating and sending the resume to respective contacts. In addition, the resumes received by an organization will stand out as a select group from Muhlenberg college, rather than simply lumped together with all other resumes the organization receives.

The OCDP will be offering Support Hours in the OCDP Library to answer questions for the students taking advantage of this new program, and resumes can be critiqued by qualified office staff. One of the many benefits of using the Resume Expert System disk is that students can easily update their resume at any time, and can continue to use the disk after leaving Muhlenberg.

The Resume Expert System disks are now being offered in the Muhlenberg College Bookstore, and can be used in Ettinger 005, the Reference Work Room in Trexler, and in the OCDP Library.

The OCDP offers Quick Question hours every Tuesday and Friday from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Support Hours are soon to be determined and will be posted in the OCDP.

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Muhlenberg to host exhibit

Muhlenberg College will host a group exhibition, titled "PLACE," featuring works by Suzanne Bocanegra, Mary Hambleton, Robin Hill and Sharon Horvath, beginning January 28 through February 27 in the Frank Martin Gallery in the College's Center for the Arts.

The PLACE exhibition includes a single work by four women artists as they all consider the issue of place in contemporary art and society. The distinctly different styles, media, size dimensionality and attitude of the art included in the show demonstrates the unity and diversity which results in asking four innovative contemporary artists to consider the same idea.

The show incorporates Suzanne Bocanegra's mixed media pieces which define a place or a place in time through found objects. Bocanegra's mixed media work is juxtaposed by Mary Hambleton's abstract and striking paintings which represent both familiar and unfamiliar places such as the Cosmos or parts of the Human Brain. Robin Hill's installation piece resides in the center of the gallery where the intimate sculptural forms and monumentality of the work attracts viewers almost simultaneously. Sharon Horvath's map-like paintings show the most immediate connection to place as a locale and destination point.

The Frank Martin Gallery is open Tuesday through Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. For more information, please call 821-3466.

ABC places its hopes on Fox's 'Spin City' to regain ratings crown

Switching Channels
by Brian Teta

When *Spin City* premiered last fall, ABC billed it as a return to glory for both the series star and the network itself.

So far it seems they were half right. After nearly a ten year layoff, Michael J. Fox's return to television has won him both critical acclaim and audience affection.

The latter became evident when Fox was awarded the People's Choice Award for best new comedic actor in a television series.

After playing young republican Alex P. Keaton on *Family Ties* for six years, Fox left television for movie stardom.

After a smash success with the *Back to the Future* trilogy, Fox had a cold spell.

A string of tepidly recieved films combined with the opportunity to work with his *Family Ties* executive producer, Gary David Goldberg was enough to lure Fox back to television.

This time Fox is playing the Deputy Mayor of New York City Michael Flaherty, who knows how to expertly spin the most difficult situations, a role he seems born to play.

Unfortunatly, although *Spin City* started strong in the Nielsen ratings, it has not been the powerhouse that ABC expected and desperately needs.

Although the initial numbers for the show were high, it now faces stiff competition from NBC's newly recharged *Caroline in City* starring Fox's *Back to the Future* co-star Lea Thompson.

As a result the show has undergone extensive retooling. The most noteworthy example of the show's new direction is the departure of Carla Gugino, who played Fox's reporter girlfriend Ashley.

Critics found the relatio nship between Fox's and Gugino's characters to be lacking in genuine chemistry as well as taking valuable screen time away from *Spin City's* crack ensemble cast.

Gugino's semi-voluntary exit from the show leaves the focus on the political aspects of the show as well as opening up the possibility for more romantic storylines for Flaherty.

Fox still has the best comic timing on television, and producer Goldberg knows just how to play to his strengths.

Fox manages to make the basically amoral Flaherty likeable with the same deft skill he used to make audiences tune in every week to see the money loving yuppie, Alex P. Keaton.

Barry Bostwick (*Rocky Horror Picture Show*) co-stars as the always clueless Mayor Randall Winston.

The 6'6 Bostwick absolutely towers over the diminutive Fox and that bit of visual comedy is milked for all it's worth.

Alan Ruck plays Stuart, the Mayor's neurotic chief of staff. Ruck is best known from his roles as Cameron from *Ferris Bueller's Day Off* and the annoying tourist who happens on to the wrong bus in *Speed*.

Rounding out the ensemble cast is Richard Kind (*Mad About You*) as the ridiculously gullible press secretary Paul, Michael Boatman (*China Beach*) as Carter, a refreshingly unstereotypical gay activist and the head of minority affairs, and finally Connie Britton as Nikki, the efficient accountant with the chaotic personal life.

As the series has progressed so has the relationships and rapport between the characters and the actors themselves. *Spin City* isn't quite there yet, but it's well on it's way to being one of television's smartest sitcoms.

Weekly music critic urges students have an 'open ear'

Endtroducing...
DJ Shadow
CD Review by Rennie Jaffe

If your eyes, or more appropriately, your ears, were open at all over the winter break, you've most likely heard how 1997 is supposedly going to be the year in which we see rock n' roll, at least on a mainstream level, put into its grave.

If this is true, and Rolling Stone and The New York Times are accurate in saying that guitar based music is finally being phased out of commercial radio, than, we are going to continue to see acts like the Fugees, Coolio, and a whole host of other bland rap groups take the spotlight.

With rock n' roll out the door, rap has been elected as the next victim to get raped by the major labels. It is no surprise that hip hop gets such a bad name when the only groups which get, or perhaps want, the attention of MTV and top 40 radio, are gun-toting, drug pushing thugs.

The record companies aren't giving the consumer the opportunity to see beyond those couple of artists who are undeniably promoting the decay of our society.

But there is a whole other world of hip hop out there, that doesn't demoralize women, or talk about dope, and actually seems to be concerning itself with truly elevating the status of rap as a true art form.

That is where DJ Shadow, and his California based hip hop crew Solesides come in. DJ Shadow, the Jimi Hendrix of the sample, takes the loops and boom bap of traditional hip hop to another level.

Without the distraction of any words, except for a few spoken samples, Shadow is left to create sound scapes which are leaving even the biggest non-believers nodding their heads.

Seven minute tracks like "Building Steam With a Grain of Salt," switch from 90 beats per minute to 200 and back to 75, all the while taking your breath away in disbelief that a college student is displaying such a masterful manipulation of existing sounds.

Shadow works the turntables with such musical proficiency, that he shoots himself into the league of Jimi Hendrix and Miles Davis. Shadow proves that one does not need live instrumentation or even another human helper, to create a mood of utter awe.

Solesides, the group from which DJ Shadow first emerged, are equally as concerned with creating a new lyrical standard for hip hop, as Shadow is on the production front. The A side of this newest Solesides single is your typical "I'm badder than you" display of hip hop bradaggio, but Shadow's production automatically elevates it to a considerably better than average tune.

But the true gem on this record is the collaboration between the two Solesides lyricists, Lateef and Lyrics. Born together on the track "Latyrx." As the name suggests "Latyrx" is a blend of the two MCs superb rapping skills. Lateef and Lyrics Born are not taking turns rocking the mic, but rather they both rap at the same exact time.

The three way relationship which is forged between Lateef, Lyrics Born, and DJ Shadow is a union made in perfect musical matrimony.

By the by, the DJ Shadow record "Endtroducing....," should be available in any independent record store, as well as the giants like Tower and HMV. If you're interested in anything from hip hop, to acid jazz, to trip hop, it would definitely be in you best interest to pick it up.

If I had six hands, and therefore six thumbs, this record would get an easy six thumbs up.

Until next time, remember, "an open ear is the key to an open mind."

Eddie Murphy visits familiar ground with mediocre Metro

Metro
(R) Touchstone Pictures
Movie Review by Brian Teta

In *Metro* Eddie Murphy plays a fast talking, wise cracking cop in Southern California looking to avenge the death of his friend and partner. Sound familiar?

Well, the similarities to Axel Foley and the Beverly Hills Cop franchise end there. Looking to cement the comeback that began with last summer's runaway smash *The Nutty Professor*, Murphy needed another blockbuster success.

Metro isn't it. What *Metro* is, is an at times engaging, but ultimately predictable and cliché ridden popcorn flick.

This time around Murphy plays it straight as Scott Roper, a San Francisco hostage negotiator whose compulsive gambling carries over into his work.

When Roper's partner is murdered by a particularly cold-blooded jewel thief (Michael Wincott in the film's best performance), Roper blames himself and vows revenge.

With the exception of one fantastic chase scene, the movie plods along slowly from there.

In his latest outing, Murphy plays a San Francisco hostage negotiator

Michael Rapaport (Beautiful Girls) provides a few laughs as Roper's protegé, a lip-reading and sharp-shooting member of SWAT, that is being groomed as Roper's successor.

British actress Carmen Ejogo is both charming and sexy in her rather thankless role as Roper's girlfriend, who predictably becomes the villain's tool of revenge.

The problems in Metro lie less with Murphy than with the uneven script itself. In fact Murphy's likeability is *Metro's* saving grace.

The movie does have some genuinely suspenseful moments, and also some spectacular stunts like the aforementioned car chase, however the envelope of believability is stretched a little too far.

Metro can never decide what it wants to be, alternating between a straight Speed type action movie, a comedy, or at times a stalker flick.

The inconsistencies extend to the characters themselves as well. Murphy's Roper begins the movie as a cop who is always reluctant to draw his gun and believes negotiation is always the best method.

By halfway through the film, Roper is ready to put a hole in anything that moves. Likewise, Wincott's villain is cold, calculating and always practical throughout 90% of the movie, a demeanor that is completely thrown out the window when in the film's climactic confrontation, he places one of the heroes in a cartoonish death trap straight out of an old James Bond movie.

The film would have benefited from a heavier injection of humor since *Metro's* only real bright spots occur when Murphy lets us see glimpses of his old self.

Scott Roper is really just a more serious Axel Foley, a role Murphy could walk through in his sleep (which he did in Beverly Hills Cop 3).

Murphy obviously was looking to recapture some of his former glory with *Metro*, but the only similarity to any of his past successes is that the movie feels like it lasts 48 Hours.

Don't Cry for Madonna, Evita looks like a sure winner

Evita
Hollywood Pictures (PG-13)
Review by Jay Faigenbaum

Evita is the musical which tells the story of Eva Peron, the first lady of Argentina, who was loved and adored by her people. The story begins showing the funeral of Evita and the flashes back to her childhood. Evita is shown as being rejected by her father and growing in a poor village.

Evita sleeps her way into Buenos Aires and an acting career during which she meets Juan Peron and very quickly becomes his lover. She then helps her husband get out of jail by inspiring workers to believe he is their only hope. He was freed due to the workers' protests and the two were quickly married.

Peron was elected President and Evita helped push his message and become his liaison to the working class. She visited poor areas and tried to inspire hope. She is the founder of the Eva Peron Social Aid Foundation. The organization grew tremendously fast in a short period of time. Evita also supports women's rights and was Peron's running mate in his second term until the military blocked her appointment. Then, Evita was struck with cancer which crippled her quickly. At the age of 33, Evita died and thousands waited in line for days to kiss the coffin of a woman considered a saint and a savior of the working class.

Banderas plays the role of a rebel who narrates the story and points out Evita's flaws and some harsh reality about Peron's rule.

The play, carried out entirely in song written by Andrew Lloyd Webber was difficult to understand at times. However, both Madonna and Antonio Banderas provided extraordinary performances which helped make the show work.

The use of many extras to recreate the cheering scenes outside Evita's balcony added some authenticity. The costume design, which must have been difficult due to the number of costumes Madonna wore, was perfect recreating the number of fashions of the time.

Evita provided a good show despite dragging in the beginning. The show gains momentum as it proceeds and the final half hair is the best.

The music throughout the play is good and solid. The acting was good, but not exceptional. The choreography was similarly good.

AMC Tilghman 8 Theaters
Performance Schedule
for Friday, January 24 and Saturday, January 25

In Love and War - 1:30, 4:45, 7:20, 10:00, 12:00
Evita - 1:00, 4:00, 7:40, 10:40
Fierce Creatures - 2:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:20, 12:10
Jerry Maguire - 1:20, 4:20, 7:30, 10:30
Metro - 1:40, 4:45, 7:30, 10:10, 12:20
People vs. Larry Flynt - 1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 9:55, 12:15
Michael - 1:50, 5:20, 7:50, 10:15, 12:15
Bevery Hills Ninja - 1:00, 4:00, 7:20, 9:40, 11:45

Michael Winslow to appear in the Garden Room tonight at 9:30

by Brian Teta
Magazine Editor

He's best known as "that guy from Police Academy that makes all those sound effects" and that's just fine with Michael Winslow. "It's all part of the business, and it's what I do" said the engaging Winslow of the notoriety his gift has given him.

Winslow got his first big break on the Gong Show, an appearance he hopes nobody ever gets a tape of. "I just hope Jay Leno never digs up a copy of it, I'll kill him!", said Winslow.

Thousands of kids all over the country were sent to the principal's office after imitating Winslow's on-screen antics and he can certainly sympathize. "I definitely got into some trouble when I was a kid, but I was never really the class clown. I was always kind of the second banana."

The man who can make hundreds of realistic sound effects with nothing but his own mouth, doesn't remember learning his unique skills.

"It's just something I've always been able to do since I was a kid." Winslow cites among his favorite pranks to pull, "Making a dog bark from the next room in a Chinese restaurant, that's always fun, and so is making the snails talk in a French restaurant when someone orders escargot. It helps if they are sizzling a little."

While growing up Winslow had a number of comedic role models including everyone from Milton Berle, to Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis, to Cheech and Chong (who he later got to work with). Among his biggest inspirations though was the Fireside Theater.

Winslow first turned to comedy when he was shut out of his chosen major, Communications. His big break came when he was spotted opening up for Count Basie (doing an act based on jazz sounds) by the writer-producer team responsible for the original Police Academy. After seeing his act, they wrote the role of Sgt. Larvell Jones specifically for him.

Winslow doesn't feel he's been typecast by his Police Academy roles and he certainly has no shortage of jobs before him.

Among the many projects he has on his agenda are a comedy album called "Making Noises", a home video "Comedy Cruise" and a feature concert movie.

Winslow wants to put out the first "G" rated comedy concert film, hoping that families can go watch it and laugh together.

Other future Winslow projects include some kung-fu/comedy movies he is working on with James Lee and the possibility exists for a Police Academy television series.

Winslow is active on the Internet as well and has his own web site at WWW.MichaelWinslow.Com or WWW.NoiseGuy.Com.

This web site features eight free sounds to download as well as other live video, sounds, and music.

The site also contains a hidden "geek word".

If you find the hidden word you can win a free CD at his concerts. Winslow will be performing tonight in the Garden Room at 9:30, it's a show you won't want to miss.

Consult the Mule...

Your *Weekly* Horoscope

Aries (3/21 - 4/19)

Okay, Aries, what exactly is the problem now? It seems to be one after the other lately, doesn't it?! Seems like you've got so much going on yet you still can't grab a hold of any of it. Why not take a step back and put things in perspective? Obviously there is a specific person or problem which has been bothering you. The longer you let something go, the worse it will get. So take charge of your life before you have to deal with real problems. Now is as good a time as any.

Taurus (4/20-5/20)

Hey, Taurus...aren't we being just the littlest bit antsy and impatient lately? If you would just being so excited and ready for everything to happen for a second then life would proceed and all things you've been awaiting so anxiously would actually become reality. You know from experience that whenever you are looking for something, you will never find it. This is the same way that when you're not looking, everything appears before your eyes. So just sit back and let things happen as they are meant to —in the end, it will be worth your newfound patience. You'll see.

Gemini (5/21-6/21)

Well, well, well, Gemini, you have never had a problem with a lack of friends, but recently you have unknowingly decided that you're set for life. Hello, Gemini, we're here to tell you that nothing lasts forever and that taking advantage of what you have now is only going to hurt you in the future. It's great to have a good time and all but you should really consider paying a bit more attention to the needs of your friends. Nobody wants to hear you talk about yourself and your problems 24/7. Friendship is a two way street-try the giving part instead of the taking for once.

Cancer (6/22-7/22)

Hello, melodrama king/queen! Would you please contain yourself and grab hold of your emotions?! You're going to make yourself sick! Life does not have to be this painful...try taking things as they come to you, and then just letting them go. Focus on the positive-it will only make everything look and feel better as well as you minimize the negative things which you would rather not think about anyway. You know that everything always works itself out so how about it?! Keep in mind that you're not auditioning all of the time!

Leo (7/23 - 8/22)

Well it's a new year and you're definitely off to a fresh start. You know, Leo, you ought to be commended for your new outlook on life. You seem open to suggestions and actually trying new things - like studying! Go you! This outlook has put you in a great mood - keep it up. You should definitely keep up with the changes you've made and the new decisions you're going to stick with for the upcoming year. Enjoy school and those closest to you - they really love having you around now more than ever.

Virgo (8/23 - 9/22)

So Virgo you're back into the stressful swing of school again with grades, tests, papers, projects, your job, friends, and it just never ends. Even though you are trying to be as perfect as possible this semester try not to forget to have a good time. If you don't set aside some time for yourself then you'll never be able to accomplish anything as perfectly as you would like. So next weekend go ahead - go out and have a good time. Live a little and have some fun or you might just forget how!

Libra (9/23 - 10/23)

Well Libra you sure have become quite the little spreader of good cheer lately. Everybody seems to enjoy your company and your smile is one that brightens everyone's day. You've become that person who solves all the problems and compliments a room with your mere presence. Now after reading all of that and you are completely content with yourself, remember to stay that way in the coming weeks. When the most unexpected insignificant negative thing happens, you might overreact. Just remember to keep that smile on your face.

Scorpio (10/24 - 11/22)

So Scorpio are you surprised that you're still sleeping okay?! Lately you have been walking on egg shells. You recently found yourself in a pretty sticky situation but because people care about you so much, you survived. You might want to start making some decisions and you should probably do this soon, too. People won't hang around forever awaiting words to come from your mouth. You are very special, but perhaps you should face up to life already.

Sagittarius (11/23 - 12/21)

Well your mouth sure has been moving rapidly this week and those words just keep coming out...some of your friends love you a lot but are just praying that laryngitis will strike you down! How about being an observer for a change instead of dishing out the deep dark secrets of your friends. They realize it is just your disposition, however, think before your mouth goes off next time.

Capricorn (12/22 - 1/19)

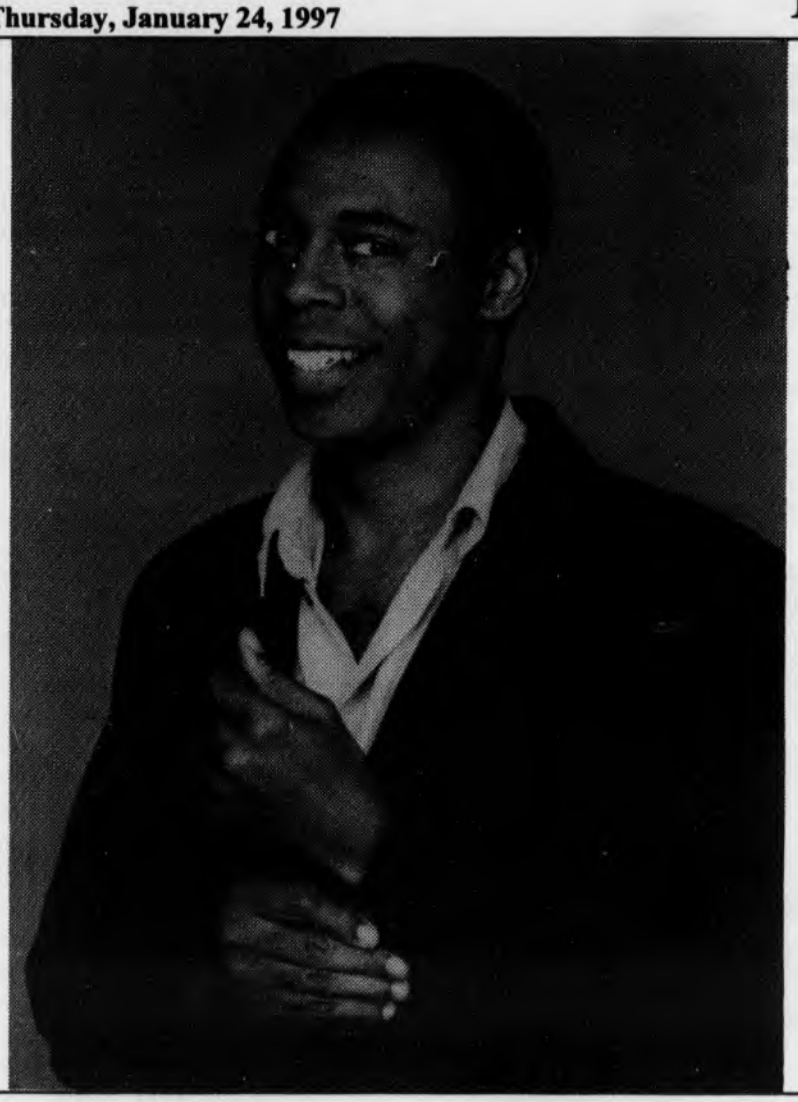
OK, so you've made a few New Year's resolutions...but have you stuck to them? Perhaps you ought to rewrite them. Resolutions can really help a person improve their lives and they could be very beneficial to you. Last semester was okay, but you know better than anybody that there is room for improvement. So go ahead and use that constructive criticism on yourself instead of your roommate and sooner than you think you'll be content with who you have become.

Aquarius (1/20 - 2/18)

You're kind of lacking in personality lately, wouldn't you say? Perhaps you ought to smile a tad and try getting to know a few new people on campus. You like to stick to those you know but what happens when you get outside your crowd? You know, Aquarius, there's nothing wrong with saying hello to a few new faces while walking down academic row. And what about making amends with some people from last semester? It's never too soon to turn your rep around.

Pisces (2/19-3/20)

OK, we've got a bit of a problem here. Apparently you've been listening to the wrong people lately. Why? You have so many great things to offer so many people but you just don't realize it. What about looking at the positive in everything? Instead of focusing on what the problem is, look at all the great things you do have-like pals who love you. It's a new semester, so why not consider enjoying everything you are blessed with. Others aren't as fortunate as you and you will feel much better once you realize this.



Don't Forget!

Comedian

Michael Winslow

The Sound Guy From The Police Academy Movies

Thursday, January 23, 1997
9:30 p.m.
The Garden Room

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WHAT'S HAPPENING ON CAMPUS!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23
8-9:30 Red Door Christian Rock Group
"Lost & Found" (sponsored by Chapel)

9:30 Garden Room (the sound guy from Police Academy movies)
"Michael Winslow" (sponsored by MAC)

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 24
8:00 Red Door MAC Movie
"Ace Ventura..When Nature Calls"

9-11 Underground "BLUESWORKS"
(sponsored by RHA)

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 25
9:00 Red Door MAC Movie
"Dead Man Walking

9-Midnight Garden Room Winter semi-formal
"THE SNOWBALL" (BYOB FOR 21+)
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 28
7:00 Women's Basketball vs Swarthmore

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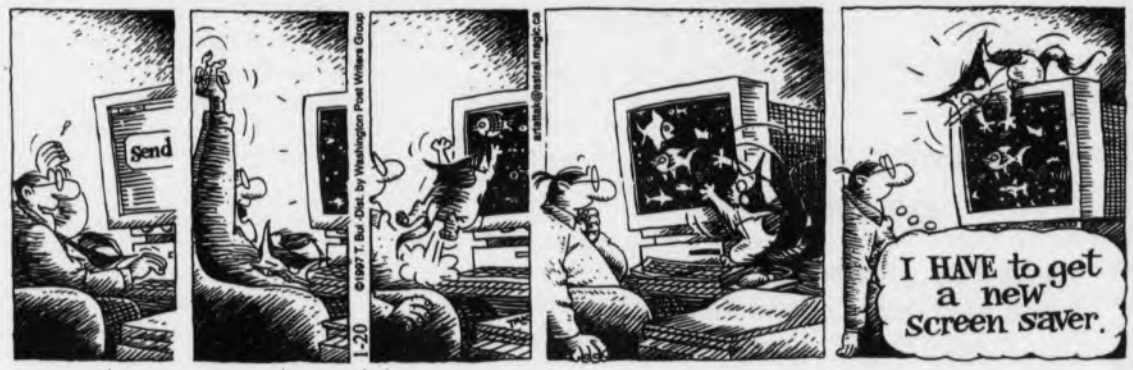
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Editor talks to Dean Hooker-Haring

Mark Koup: How large do you expect the class of 2001 to be?

Chris Hooker-Haring: 500 students. This is down from the class of 2000, that enrolled 532 students.

What is Muhlenberg doing to accommodate a larger student body?

I would say there are two key components to accommodate a larger student body. The first is the people component. We have a larger faculty, as well as additional services such as plant operations and technology staff to accommodate a larger number of students. In the 1991-1992 there were 106 full time faculty members. The 1996-1997 opened with a full time faculty of 131. Without the larger enrollment, the larger faculty would not be possible, and thus access to all courses during registration would be reduced. The second component deals with the facilities on campus. New West is the most obvious example of Muhlenberg's commitment to its facilities. To a lesser extent, the wiring of dorms, expansion of the fitness equipment in the life sports center, and the addition of more classrooms augments the current facilities on campus. Also, the addition of more M.I.L.E. houses and expansion of dining hours helps to ensure the quality experience that Muhlenberg provides.

What do you see in your current applicant pool?

In a word, more. We have another early admissions record, and we are on a pace for a record number of applications received. If the current trends continue, we will receive over 3000 applications.

What do you think the ideal size of the of the Muhlenberg student body should be?

With the current campus infrastructure, 1800 students is about ideal for full time day students. If the infrastructure grows and expands, then allowing the student body to grow to 2000 might be a good idea. The faculty must also grow along with the infrastructure to support this.

One on One
by Mark A. Koup

There have been rumors about the expansion of Seegers Union. Can you comment on this?

Some expansion of the Union is a possible response to student growth. How and when this will happen is still a question.

What do you think embodies a Muhlenberg student?

When students come to Muhlenberg, they can be who they are and be fine. There are no dominant ethos that people must fit. We have broad academic strengths, and our religious diversity increases openness and tolerance. High school guidance counselors comment on the warmth and openness they feel during their visits to out campus. We seem to have a bond that translates all genres. Whether you are Greek, athlete, scholar, or a combination of these, you are Muhlenberg. Our students are bright and usually goal oriented, with an emphasis on community service. I personally like that they are willing to discuss differences in a respectful way. Often times on other campuses, students reduce each other to epithets or labels. The way our students talk through problems is one of our strengths.

How has the optional S.A.T. policy influenced applications?

It has definitely contributed to the record pace of applicants. While most of our competition is down in terms of applications, we are up. Applicants that might have chosen to remove themselves from applying to Muhlenberg because of their test scores now feel free to apply. The policy has also gained the college respect and good will that can only help in future admissions classes.

Do you expect Muhlenberg to become a school that will attract students away from institutions such as The University of Richmond, The University of Pennsylvania, and schools of similar caliber?

It is happening. Market research indicates Muhlenberg is winning the battles with theses schools. It is exciting that we are competing in a stronger orbit every year. This increases the value of a degree received from Muhlenberg, and as an alumnus this is important.

The coming together of many facets has made Muhlenberg more competitive when the general direction of higher education is down. External pressures cause many campuses to fight internally. Muhlenberg, although with its ferment and disagree, has chosen not to shoot itself in the foot under these external pressures. One of the largest of these pressures is funding and finance. For the first time since World War II, family annual incomes are declining. The ability to generate revenue is also down. The annual cost of college admission is rising two or three times the consumer price index. This is indicative of the declining number of people that can afford higher education. This collision of external realities has caused internal pressures, and the fraying of the fabric that held campuses together. The down sizing of full time faculty, and the erosion of community has also contributed to many internal struggles. The Muhlenberg student body has helped prevent this erosion to occur on our campus. This has protected our community, and had actually helped increase the quality of life here at Muhlenberg. This is what is starting to attract prospective Muhlenberg students away from other institutions.

Cosby murder portrays societal problems

On January 16, 1997, Ennis William Cosby pulled his car off a Los Angeles freeway to change a flat tire. What happened after this event is still somewhat unclear. Police in Los Angeles believe that Cosby was targeted for robbery when his $130,000 Mercedes was spotted on the shoulder of the freeway. At 1:45 a.m. a woman discovered Cosby shot once in the head. He died almost immediately after the lone shot was fired.

This story disturbed me for several reasons. Besides the fact that Cosby was murdered in cold blood, to which we as a society are becoming desensitized, this was a young man who wanted to make a difference in the world. Being the son of Bill Cosby, Ennis was used to the spotlight. He didn't want fame like his father has; his desire was to become a special education teacher. Ennis was diagnosed as having dyslexia, a learning disorder that made school almost always a struggle for him. Ennis eventually overcame his disorder and graduated college with a degree in psychology. He then outlined his goal to teach where he could make the most difference. Cosby tutored inner city students in the last two years of his life.

An Outside Perspective
by Mark A. Koup

David Dinkins, former New York City mayor remembered Ennis fondly. He was quoted as saying "He dedicated his life to the noblest of professions-educating children. And yet that life was stolen by individuals who failed to learn the most elementary lessons of human society." I would go a step further than Dinkins. I think that the murder of a human being for the sake of robbery is a despicable crime. I hope the person or persons responsible are aware that the lives of special education students took a step backward on January 16. To lose such a promising and self giving life is indeed a tragedy.

Interested in writing for the Muhlenberg Weekly? If so, call the office at x3187 or Jay at x4716.

Letters to the Editor

Ethnic Incidents Enrage Student Council

To the Muhlenberg Community:

On November 6, 1996, a swastika was discovered on Egner Memorial Chapel. It was reported in the Campus Saftey Notes of the November 21st issue of The Muhlenberg Weekly as follows: "11/6/96-Ethnic intimidation-Chapel-4"x4" swastika written in green on chapel." Aside from this report, the issue has not been publicly addressed to the Muhlenberg College Community in any way, shape, or form.

On October 28,1996, a derogatory remark was written on a gay rights advocacy poster in the basement of Prosser. This was reported in the Campus Safety Notes of the November 7th issue of the Weekly: "10/28/96- Ethnic intimidation/Hate crime-Prosser basement-poster on door that said "I'm too cute to be gay" had card that read "Die Fag" attached to it." When this occurred, immediate action was taken by Campus saftey, the Dean of students, and the Housing Office. A memorandum was given to all of the Prosser Resident Advisors to distribute to each of their residents. This memo told of the incident and explained how this was inconsistent with the Muhlenberg College Social Code and stated that ethnic intimidation would not be tolerated within this campus community.

The occurrence in Prosser Hall was handled effectively and efficiently so that the Prosser community was informed, and possible further offense was prevented. Oddly enough, the anti-Semetic grafitti on the chapel has yet to be publicly addressed, while the seriousness of the issue still remains. The college's treatment of the chapel incident does seem to comply with its previous stance on intolerance of ethnic intimidation. Furthermore, the latter occurrence seems to affect the entire campus community, as it was displayed prominently on a facility used by all students. The ethnic intimidation that occurred in Prosser Hall was assumed to be done by a resident of Prosser and, therefore directly affected that building. Action was taken addressing the Prosser community. The ethnic intimidation that occurred on the chapel directly affects the entire campus. Therefore, the action needs to be taken to address the entire Muhlenberg Community. Whatever the appropriate response may be, the students need to be reminded of the administration's stance on ethnic intimidation and the potential consequences for such actions.

Respectfully Submitted,
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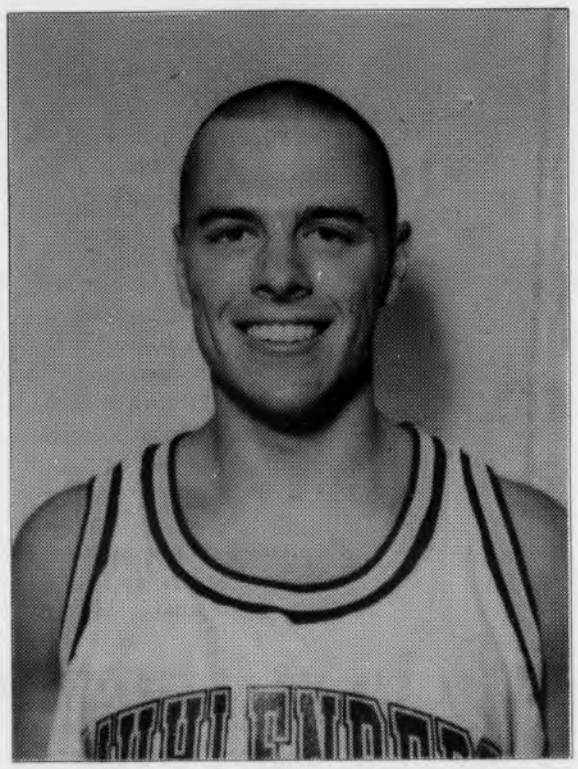
Profile of a Mule: Michael Queenan

Part one of a continuing weekly series highlighting the accomplishments of Muhlenberg star athletes

by Steve Faella
***Weekly* Sports Writer**

Muhlenberg's men's basketball team is once again off and running toward its quest of the Centennial Conference crown. To win it all, they will have to rely on their upper-class leadership. One player that will be called on to lead the Mules will be Mike Queenan. Besides being the team's starting shooting guard, he is also one of the team's captains along with Matt Henrich and Rob Miller.

In his two years here, Mike has already compiled an impressive resume. A three year letter winner, two year starter, two time All-Scotty Wood Team, All-Moravian Team, and last year was named 2nd team All-Centennial Conference. In his spare time, Queenan is a business major and economics minor.



Mike began playing the game of basketball seriously in third grade joining the local church's basketball league. In just his first year playing, he led his team to the league championship, in the process eliminating my team from the playoffs. Thanks Mike! This early championship was just a taste of great things to come.

The next big hurdle for Mike was high school, where he played for the Clarkstown North Rams in New City, New York. In his first varsity start as a sophomore, Mike went out and poured in over 30 points. Not a bad debut.

He did not stop there however, as he finished the season as Rockland County's leading scorer averaging over 20 points per game. Unfortunately, Mike was never surrounded by other talented players, and the Rams were never in competition for the league title; ending his high school career without that coveted championship.

It was college time and Mike chose to attend Muhlenberg.

"I chose Muhlenberg because besides having a good and respected basketball program, it was by far the best school academically," Mike said.

Getting Mike adjusted to college basketball was handled very smoothly by Coach Madeira.

"At first I was a little intimidated, but I was gradually eased into the games to make it easier on me," Mike said. "Also there were a lot of good, structured seniors who helped by example."

Mike was one of two freshman to receive a good number of minutes all season long. He cashed in on his opportunities by starting several games, including a 20 point performance against Lehigh.

It was in this first year where Mike got his championship. Muhlenberg defeated #1 ranked Franklin and Marshall in a dramatic upset to win the Centennial Conference title.

" I remember diving for a loose ball with Matt Henrich, hearing the buzzer, and seeing the fans rush out onto the court," Mike explained. "It is hard to explain the feelings I had cutting down the net and watching all of the students storm the court. It was a special night that I won't forget."

Queenan entered his sophomore year knowing that he would have to carry the load as a scorer. He wasted no time, scoring 27 points to lead all scorers in the teams opening game of the season at the Scotty Wood Tournament.

"That was just one of those nights where everything I worked on at practice just clicked."

Clicked it did! Teamed with then senior Chris Bedell, Queenan was part of a 1-2 punch that had opposing teams shaking all year long. Mike had a career high 36 points against Washington later that year. He finished the year as Muhlenberg's second leading scorer.

This year Queenan started off in style again, hitting a spinning lay-up with two seconds left to give the Mules another Scotty Wood championship. Recently he poured in 21 points to lead Muhlenberg against Washington.

Queenan is one of the most cool and collective players on the court. Off the court, he is a great student a well as a great friend.

Confucius once said that the best people are those who are well-rounded and full of balance. Somewhere Confucius is looking down at Mike Queenan with a big smile on his face.

National Sports Update

SuperBowl XXXI will be held on Sunday January 26 in the Superdome in New Orleans. The Green Bay Packers are the favorites over the New England Patriots. A national survey indicated that over 80% of the country believe that the Packers will win.

The NHL all-star game was held last week in San Jose. The Eastern division squad was victorious over the West by a score of 11-7, upping their record to 15-5 all time. By the end of the game Wayne Gretzky and Mario Lemieux were tied for the all time all star game scoring crown

Tiger Woods won the first PGA tournament of the year last week, bringing his win total to three and his career earning to over $1 million.

Olympic gold medalist Oksana Baiul was arrested last weel in Bloomfield, Conn. for driving under the influence. She was released without bond.

Evander Holyfield will receive at least $35 million to fight Mike Tyson in Las Vegas on May 3.

Major League Baseball owners approved the proposed expansion last Thursday after much debate, paving the way for a franchise in Tampa Bay to join the American League, and one in Arizona to join the National League

Future Hall of Famer Ozzie Smith has been named Mel Allen's replacement as the host of the syndicated television program, *This Week in Baseball*. Smith will debut as host on April 5.

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Men's basketball team defeats Washington 78-70

Trailing by seven at the half, Mules bounce back to win fourth straight over conference rival

by Doug Feldman and Todd Garretson
***Weekly* Sports Writers**

Consistency is something that all successful teams accomplish at some point in their seasons. After opening up the season by winning thier first four games, the Muhlenberg men's basketball team proceeded to lose their next three games and four out of their next five.

However, the Mules have responded in the last two weeks by notching four consecutive wins, three of them coming at Memorial Hall and two of them against Centennial Conference opponents.

Midway through the season, the Mules are beginning to establish themselves as the team to beat in the Centennial's East Division.

On Saturday night Muhlenberg improved its record to 9-4 (2-1 in the Centennial Conference) with a 78-70 come-from-behind victory over Washington College.

Trailing in this contest 39-32 at halftime, the Mules bounced back by outscoring the Shoremen 47-31 in the second half.

Junior Mike Queenan led all scorers with a season high 21 points by hitting on seven of his eleven field goal attempts.

Sophomore Jim Doumato showed why he has been the team's most consistent player this season by earning his seventh double-double of the season with 14 points and 12 rebounds.

The team demonstrated their depth off the bench with solid contributions from Rob Miller, Jeff Graham and Ryan Quinn.

The Mules continued their habit of performing better in the second half against Washington. At the 16:30 mark of the second half the Shoremen took thier largest lead of the contest, 45-36.

Muhlenberg called a time-out and responded by stepping up their aggressiveness on both ends of the court. The Shoremen went cold on the offensive end as a result of the Mules' intense man-to-man defense.

The Mules became more assertive by penetrating to the basket and getting higher percentage shots. Queenan had 13 of his 21 points in the final stanza.

Freshman Matt Schneider continued his stallar play with 12 of his 18 points coming in the second half.

Throughout the course of the season, Head Coach Dave Madeira has started seven different players. With the insertion of Schneider and Sophomore Mark Morrison into the lineup, the coaching staff has settled in on their starting five.

Having finally found the right combination of players, the team is hoping that it will result in a higher level of production and consistency as they approach, arguably, their toughest stretch of the season.

Lady Mules basketball team beat Shoremen 54-31

Muhlenberg's overpowering defense gives them third Centennial Conference win of the season

by C.J. Lenat
Sports Editor

The Muhlenberg women's basketball team defeated Washington College 54-31 last Saturday, upping their Centennial Conference record to 3-1.

The Mules dominated the Shoremen on both ends of the court throughout the entire game, allowing only 17 points in the first half and a minuscule 14 in the second half.

Twice in during the game the Muhlenberg defense held the Washington offense scoreless for over seven minutes.

Sophomore Jill Roth was the Mules' leading scorer with 18 points, and Eli LaRocca led the Mules in rebounding with 14.

LaRocca was named to the Centennial Conference weekly honor roll for the week of January 5 after leading the Mules in scoring against Western Connecticut State and rebounding in that game and against Franklin and Marshall.

LaRocca has been forced to become a more dominant inside player with the loss of Laura Tichy, a strong inside player.

Tichy was lost to the Mules, possibly for the season, after suffering an injury to her knee earlier in the week.

The Mules have been tearing down the rebounds all season long, averaging almost seven more per game than their opponents. They have also been outscoring their opponents by almost four points per game.

Another area in which the Mules have been outstanding all season long is on the free throw line.

Averaging over 70 percent from the line, the Mules rank third in Division III.

Four players on the team have a free throw percentage over 80 percent.

Two players who have been consistent all year long are Sarah Clarke and Eli LaRocca.

Clarke leads the Mules in assists and steals, and set a school record with 10 steals against Richard Stockton.

Eli LaRocca leads the teams in rebounding, blocks, and points per game.

LaRocca would be ranked seventh in Division III schools in free-throw percentage if she had played in enough games.

Muhlenberg's next game is Thursday January 22 at Centennial Conference rival Swarthmore.

Ten out of the Mules' next eleven games are against conference opponents. Those ten games are pivital, as they will determine Muhlenberg's playoff chances.

On Deck at the 'Berg

Men's Basketball:

Sat. 1/25 at John Hopkins
Tue. 1/28 at Haverford
Thur. 1/30 at Allentown

Women's Basketball:

Sat. 1/25 at Swarthmore
Tue. 1/28 at Johns Hopkins
Thur. 1/30 at Elizabethtown

Wrestling:

Sat. 1/25 at Swarthmore with Lebanon Valley and Washington and Jefferson
Thur. 1/30 Home vs. King's College @ 7:00 pm

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Trip to Peru enlightens Muhlenberg Participants

by Lauren Casa
News Editor

Muhlenberg offered a trip this January through the Amazon Rainforest in Peru. For the first time, Muhlenberg students, parents and alumni were welcome to attend this "natural history trip down the Amazon and up its tributaries," explained Biology Professor Dr. Richard Niesenbaum. The group had the opportunity to see animal species and experience the life and culture of the people native to Peru.

The participants lived on a boat, La Turmalina, for seven days and would take day excursions on foot and in small boats made from tree trunks. During these outings, the group had a first hand look at some 130 species of birds and 8 species of monkeys, among many other animals and species inherent to the rain forest. They also had a close look at dozens of dolphins who inhabited some of the water they traveled through.

They witnessed monkeys jumping from tree to tree, virtually flying through the air. At night, the group would go night spotting to find and observe animals.

The group was very much exposed to all aspects of the culture of the Peruvian people. They tasted local foods like wild grapes and fished for some of their meals. Senior Sheryl Goldberg said, "every day we had a new juice made from local fruits. We got to watch the people cook and prepare their food, though we did not taste it."

A group from the Muhlenberg community poses for a picture outside of a Peruvian hut.

While out in the Amazon, some group members fished for pirana and canoed in boats carved from tree trunks. They also swam and played volleyball with the natives. Group members also observed the lives of indigenous people. They visited *pueblos*, river communities where people, known as *Riberenos*, live. *Riberenos* live in remote portions of the Amazon. Students observed not only their daily lives, but also their rituals and practices.

Junior Lisa Andrews explained, "performing a ritualistic activity of healing using plants and herbs as the medicines. This man called the *Shaman* chanted over a boy who was not necessarily possessed but stricken with bad spirits. The Shaman took part of a branch, shook it over the boy and then proceeded to suck out the bad air or the bad spirits. The Shaman, after ingesting the bad spirits, spewed forth the bad air and rid himself and the boy of the evil. It was like an exorcism."

Many lessons were learned from this program. "A lot of the focus was on the biological aspects of the Amazon Rainforest since the trip served the course

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RHA features BluesWorks in first coffeehouse of the semester

by Jenny-Lynn Knotek
Assistant News Editor

Last Friday, BluesWorks played in the Underground for the first Residence Hall Association (RHA) coffeehouse of the semester. Although the crowd was small at the start, the blues group was a welcome addition to a rainy Friday night.

Bluesworks, originally from Maryland and Washington, D.C., is a trio made up of Paul Watson, Judy Luis-Watson, and Mark Puryear. The band formed in 1991, when Watson and Luis-Watson met Puryear at a house party jam session. When she was asked how it is working with two men, Luis-Watson says, "I only work with good men!" She also says that the men are "good human beings; there are no major problems."

All three grew up with blues or jazz in their homes. Luis-Watson came from an entire family of musicians, and originally played guitar before learning the keyboard, which she now plays for BluesWorks. Watson, her husband, studied both clarinet and harmonica under blues professional, Phil Wiggins; he now plays just the harmonica in BluesWorks. Puryear supplies the sound of guitar, and all three members of the group sing with hearty, soulful voices.

BluesWorks have toured extensively in the United States, playing at colleges clubs, special events, and major Blues Festivals.

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News Digest

courtesy of USA Today

Olympic gold medal skater Oksana Baiul, who was recently in a drunk driving accident, will check herself into an alcohol education center in order to avoid reckless driving charges.

Switzerland's Ambassador to the United States, Carlo Jagmetti, resigned after it was made public that he advocated waging "war" against those pressing for an accounting of Holocaust victim assets held in Swiss banks.

This week, the Simpson Civil trial came to a close with defense attorneys attacking both Mark Fuhrman and Ron Goldman, despite being warned not to by the judge.

New questions about the fitness of Russian President Boris Yeltsin surfaced Monday after an aide said he will not return to the Kremlin any time soon. Yeltsin's illnesses have forced the postponement of both a summit with the European Union and another with the former Soviet states.

Hilton Hotels has made a 6.5 billion dollar hostile bid for ITT. Hilton would like to take over the company and then sell off its interests in the New York Knicks, the New York Rangers, and Madison Square Garden, focussing on ITT's hotel chain.

Once again, Jerry Maguire is the most watched movie of the week, bringing in $5.5 million for a total of $110 million in ticket sales. Maguire was able to stay atop the list despite the release of In Love and War ,which placed second.

Bill Cosby admits he had a sexual liaison with a woman in the '70s, but denies fathering her child. Autumn Jackson, 22, who claims Cosby is her father, has been arrested along with friend Jose Medina for killing Cosby's son, Ennis. Cosby, attempting to put the situation behind him, returned to work on his new sitcom Monday.

Holiday Inn will consider pulling its latest ad, which aired on Sunday, due to customer complaints. The ad features a leggy, super-model-like transsexual surprising her former classmates at a class reunion. Executives in the company received dozens of phone calls, 60% of which were negative.

Using a new service, Americans will be able to prepare and file their income taxes on the internet. The necessary program, which costs only fifteen dollars, will prepare, print, and electronically file your return. The program will offer line-by-line help and is being marketed to compete with higher priced software.

President Clinton will call for another $500 million in funding for technology in schools. Clinton will ask for the money as part of his 1998 budget plan, and plans to put the money into two specific programs, the Technology Literacy Fund and for public-private partnerships that create programs designed for specific communities. Clinton hopes the money will also further his goal of having a computer in every classroom by the year 2000.

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Harassing calls plague student body

1/22/97 - Harassment by Communications - Brown - Caller pretending to be a phone repairman tells victim to stay on the line for seven minutes. After the seven minutes the caller started to ask personal questions

1/23/97 - Harassment by Communications - New West - directed toward individual

1/23/97 - Theft - Center for the Arts - power equipment stolen

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1/24/97 - Fire Safety Violation - Center for the Arts

1/24/97 - Possible theft of parking sticker - Hillside lot

1/24/97 - Injured employee - Commons - person slipped on ice

1/24/97 - Alcohol violation - North 22nd Street

1/25/97 - Burglary - Prosser - all property was recovered - officers later found it to be a prank

1/25/97 - Alcohol Violation - Prosser Drive

1/26/97 - Alcohol Violation - TKE - violation of BYOB policy

1/26/97 - Information - Prosser - student harassed by ex-boyfriend

1/27/97 - Harassment by Communications - Walz - call directed toward individual

1/27/97 - Harassment by Communications - Walz - call directed toward individual

1/27/97 - Injured Student - Martin Luther - head injury

Campus Safety Advisory : Students are advised to beware of harassing phone calls. If students receive harassing phone calls, they should terminate the call and contact Campus Safety at extension 3110. In addition, if anyone has information regarding the individual making the phone calls, please call Campus Safety immediately.

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Muhlenberg ventures to the Amazon

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of Tropical Ecology. It was the ultimate interdisciplinary study not only because we got to see all of the plants, animals and natural elements, but we also got to interact with the people and partake in their culture" says Sheryl Goldberg.

The members of the group who did not speak Spanish were pressed to communicate with the crew members of the boat as well as the indigenous people.

The overall response to this trip was "incredible, really positive" says Dr. Niesenbaum. The students, parents and alumni were fortunate to "see the interactions between people and nature. They saw that it is not possible to separate the two." Therefore, we must learn to coexist.

Among the countless benefits this trip offered, Dr. Niesenbaum felt that one of the most important was that the participants learned "seeing is believing."

Lisa Andrews said that, "interacting with the native people and speaking with them in Spanish was one of the best parts of the trip. The whole journey was a life experience and the first hand exposure to the lives and cultures of other people was fascinating."

If anyone is interested in obtaining information for next year's trip to Peru, they can contact Dr. Niesenbaum for details. Another trip, similar to this one will also be offered by Dr. Niesenbaum and Dr. Gorka. Cultural and Biological Conservation in Latin America will take participants to Guatemala to observe the relationship between people and nature.

Attention Students...

Gennadi Gerasimov, spokesman to Mikail Gorbachev and Marlin Fitzwater, former U.S. press secretary will hold a debate in the chapel at 8:00 PM on February 5. For more information call x3230.

OCDP sponsors Super Career Campaign

Ever wanted to learn how to survive in a film and video production career, how to research a law case, how to give a powerful presentation for marketing and other fields, how non-business students can work with spreadsheets, or how to effectively use the internet on the job? These obviously are valuable skills that will not only make you a more well-rounded person, but may help you to land that job or internship of your dreams. You can explore these avenues and more, including what types of jobs are available in Human Resource and Finance, and how to interview for teaching and other jobs at the annual Super Career Campaign, February 9, 1997, sponsored by the Office of Career Development and Placement.

The OCDP has put a new spin on the traditionally well-attended event. This year the focus is on developing marketable skills that will be assets to students pursuing jobs, grad school, summer jobs, and internships. This skills-oriented approach is aimed not only at students with particular areas of interest like Psychology and Education, but at all students who want to develop new skills and learn about successful strategies they can employ in their job or internship search.

The Career Campaign was conceived by President Taylor and was first offered in 1993. He will be presenting a keynote speech to kick-off the event at 1:00 PM. Two sets of one hour workshops will be offered, after which a reception for all participants will be held. All workshop presenters are Muhlenberg alumni or friends of the College who are experts in their respective fields. Presenters include Muhlenberg's own Beth Adderly, Assistant Director of Admissions, and Jim Manero, VP of Finance and Treasurer of Muhlenberg College.

Students should fill out the Super Career Campaign form (mailed to all students), and return it to the OCDP by Monday, February 3. Space is limited, so don't miss out on this opportunity.

If you have any questions about the Super Career Campaign, please stop by the OCDP. Also, don't forget Quick Question hours Tues. and Fri. 12:00-1:00 PM in the OCDP library.

Super Career Campaign Schedule of Events

Sunday, February 9, 1997

12:45-1:00 Registration
1:50 Keynote talk by President Taylor

2:00 First set of Workshops
Writing to be read
Getting a job: The Unedited Dana
Psych: Articulating Psych. Skills to Get the Job,
Summer Jobs, and Internships
Film and Video Survival Skills
HELLO! The Web, Internet, and the Job
What are the Different Jobs in Human Resources?

3:10 Second set of Workshops
College Admissions: Evaluating a Candidate
Giving a Powerful Presentation
Law Related: How to Write a Case
Introduction to Real Life
Interviewing for Teaching Positions
Interviewing Strategies for Everyone

RHA begins the semester's coffeehouses with Bluesworks

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clude the Cuyahoga Valley Festival in Ohio, the Bluebird Festival in Maryland, and the Washington Folk Festival. BluesWorks also conduct workshops and individual sessions in piano and harmonica. Recently, the group has developed "Blues Connection," an award-winning multimedia presentation, as a result of being the recipients of a grant from the Maryland State Arts Council.

After Muhlenberg, the group played at St. Francis de Salle University on Saturday, and is performing in the upcoming weeks at various places in Virginia, New York, and Washington, D.C. They have many bookings now, because of upcoming Black History Month in February.

Muhlenberg students really enjoyed the experience of BluesWorks. One student said, "You don't get to experience much blues in this area; it's a great change of pace for the college."

Another student said, "I've heard other jazz musicians, but none with female vocals. I thought it was great."

The next RHA coffeehouse will be Friday, the 7th of February, in the Underground of ML, from 8 to 10 p.m. The featured group will be Morning Glory, a student band.

Winslow fails to live up to expectations

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

On Thursday, January 23, Michael Winslow performed for a packed audience in the Garden Room. In fact, the Garden Room was so full that the tables were taken out and people were still forced to watch from the doorways despite the fact the show was delayed almost forty-five minutes.

Winslow is most famous for his role in Police Academy, in which he used various noises to create humor.

Winslow spent the entire act using his famous sound effects to stir laughs from the audience. He opened his act with a Jimi Hendrix impression coming onto stage in full costume. Then, he did an act imitating Cheech and Chong followed by a scene from ahotel room next to a party. The show was closed with an imitation of a conversation with one of the phones in an airport which goes directly to car rental comapnies and hotels as he harassed the operator.

The noises Winslow made were funny but their effect wore off over time. The act itself was somewhat lacking and seemed to have no humor in them other than the noises. In fact, the act seemed to get somewhat annoying towards the end as his last skit involving the telephone dragged on and repeated itself.

One student commented, "The show was decent and Winslow's noises were somewhat amusing. However, the act lacked good content and true comedy. Towards the end, I was more interested in going home."

Sophomore Seth Leichter commented, "I thought he was a has been before the show and the performance reinforced that thought."

However, some students found the show intersting and enjoyable.

Junior Brett Coplin said, "The show was very entertaining but the Garden Room was too small for the event which made the seating uncomfortable.

Sophomore Ed Park said, "Although the unexpected delay was irritating, I really enjoyed the comedy and it was well worth missing ER."

No matter what, it was exciting to see such a great turnout at a campus event.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON CAMPUS?

January 30, 1997

7:30 - Wrestling vs King's College

8 pm - Berg Dancers - Empie Theater

January 31, 1997

8 pm - Berg Dancers - Empie Theater

9 pm - "Hurry Down Sunshine" - Blues Group) - RDC

February 1, 1997

1&3 pm Basketball vs Dickinson

3 pm - MAC Movie "Nutty Professor" - RDC

5:30 pm - MAC Movie - Joe's Apartment - RDC

8 pm - Berg Dancers - Empie Theather

8 pm - 11 pm - Psychic Fair - RDC

February 2, 1997

5:30 - MAC Movie "Dead Man Walking" - RDC

February 3, 1997

5:30 - Multi - Cultural Life Movie:
'The Josephine Baker Story' - RDC

February 5, 1997

6 pm - Women's Basketball vs Ursinus

8 pm - Men's Basketball vs Ursinus

Many thanks to MAC and its members for all their hard work with the Snowball.

RDC - Red Door Cafe

The Force is with the Star Wars Special Edition

Star Wars Special Edition
20th Century Fox (PG)
Review by Brian Teta

I never got to see *Star Wars* when it was first released, I was less than a year old at the time.

My first experience with George Lucas' magnum opus came three years later when I first saw *The Empire Strikes Back*.

In less than a week I owned every *Star Wars* action figure and vehicle from a Jawa to an AT-AT.

I used to drive my family crazy by freezing my Han Solo figure in a glass of water and then mounting him in the living room.

I even used to close my eyes and try to summon the Force when I needed to clean my room. I had a lot of time on my hands back then...

Well its needless to say that when George Lucas announced that he was re-releasing the entire *Star Wars Trilogy* for it's 20th anniversary with added footage and special effects, I was elated.

For those who have been living on a desert planet in a galaxy far, far, away for the past twenty years, *Star Wars* is a science fiction space opera about the battle between a small band of rebels and the evil Galactic Empire.

When it was released in 1977, *Star Wars* quite literally changed the way movies were made and ushered in a new age of film-making.

Many fans have objected to the idea of Lucas changing his classic films and have wondered why he wanted to tamper with our memories.

"A famous film-maker once said that films are never completed, they are only abandoned," Lucas says.

"So rather than live with my abandoned movies, I decided to go back and complete them."

Well the results were more than worth the wait. I was given the opportunity to view the new *Star Wars Special Edition* at a special press screening in New York two weeks ago.

Going into the screening I had two main concerns.

First, I feared that even the re-mastered *Star Wars'* special effects would look hopelessly dated and cheesy.

Second, I was afraid that the added scenes would cause more harm than good, serving only to distract the viewer and make the changed sequences appear awkward.

I couldn't have been more wrong. From the film's famed opening shot of the monstrous Imperial Star Destroyer closing in on the Rebel Blockade Runner it is clear that Lucas' gambit had paid off.

The cleaning and restoration of the original *Star Wars* film print has resulted in bright and pristine colors that make the movie look like it was shot yesterday.

This restoration in tandem with a state-of-the-art digitally re-mixed update of John Williams classic soundtrack manages to recapture the magic and excitement of a movie that most of us have seen a dozen times over

Even the normally cynical press corps with whom I viewed the film burst into cheers and applause for everything from the 20th Century Fox logo to the introduction of every major character.

As for the films many additions and changes, rather than list and critique all of them, I will just mention the most important ones.

Mos Eisley space port where Luke and Obi-Wan first encounter Han Solo now matches the build-up it gets earlier in the movie.

The addition of new computer generated scenes, make Mos Eisley look like a bustling city and some new creatures and background characters add some early comic relief.

The most heralded addition to the film is a new scene involving a confrontation between Han Solo and the "vile gangster" Jabba the Hutt.

Lucas originally shot the footage with Harrison Ford and another actor twenty years ago intending to insert a puppet or stop-motion creature for Jabba at a later date.

Unfortunately time and monetary restraints forced Lucas to cut the scene.

Since the relationship between those two characters became a pivotal one in the latter films, it was a sequence Lucas desperately wanted back in the movie.

"I wanted to be able to connect the first film with the next two (through the Jabba scene) the way it was meant to be.", said Lucas.

The result is the seamless addition of a computer generated Jabba into the existing footage. The new scene comes off well, but the computer generated "younger" Jabba looks a bit awkward.

The most welcome addition of the sequence is a crowd-pleasing cameo by Boba Fett entrenching him deeper into the *Star Wars* mythos.

The most impressive addition to the movie comes during the film's climactic Death Star battle.

The dog-fighting scenes between the Rebel and Imperial forces are completely re-done and enhanced and what was once glaringly choppy and awkward footage is now smooth and sleek.

The movie holds up surprising well for its age in all regards but one. Dialogue has never been Lucas' strong suit and a lot of it come off as forced and awkward, especially twenty years later.

Still, *Star Wars* is without a doubt a classic motion picture and if Lucas has his way, the Special Edition will replace the original as the standby.

If you haven't seen the original or if you've seen it a hundred times, *The Star Wars Special Edition* is worth the price of admission just to see it on the big screen.

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VanDamme, Charlie Sheen) and that took the focus of show away from the formula that made it a hit in the first place.

Also the will they, won't they, romance of Ross (David Schwimmer) and Rachel (Jennifer Aniston) was too drawn out, for far too long.

Once their relationship was finally consummated, they suffered the same problems as their forbearers on *Cheers* and *Moonlighting*, namely they got boring.

Of course the writing is not the only thing to blame. The cast of *Friends* have suffered from a drop in the public perceptions as well.

A string of flop movies, and much publicized salary debates that depicted the cast as greedy and spoiled, certainly did not help matters.

Nothing can stay hot forever and soon the problems and burdens of the media attention began to take it's toll.

Friends ratings slowly dropped and as they did, and as the media frenzy died down, a strange thing started to happen.

It got better. All season long, Friends has started to return to its roots.

Guest stars still pop up from time to time, but now there is a reason. Case in point was Tom Selleck's re-occurring role as Monica's (Courtney Cox's) boyfriend Richard.

Selleck, (who makes a one-shot return appearance tonight) served a purpose on the show and actually worked well with the ensemble.

Another step in the right direction was giving Chandler (Matthew Perry), the commitment phobic, a relationship and having Rachel and Joey (Matt LeBlanc) move on with their careers.

The Friends are starting to grow and change. Letting them evolve along the natural lines of their characters is actually a risk, but it's necessary if the show is to continue to be fresh.

Another good sign is the immenent demise of the Ross and Rachel relationship scheduled for the upcoming February sweeps week.

A publicist for the show also let slip that fans can look forward to a future pairing of two other Friends. (Hint: it's not who think it is.)

The show's bright spot remains the always hilarious Lisa Kudrow, whose Phoebe Buffett would be just another ditzy blond in other hands, or worse a female version of Joey.

Most signs seem to say that Friends is heading in the right direction, backwards.

Consult the Mule... Your Weekly Horoscope

by Jen Zwirn and Sherry Fazio
Weekly columnists

Aries (March 21 - April 19)
Well, Aries, recently you've come to learn that after your mouth goes off, some things will quite be the same. Perhaps you should start thinking about what you say before your tongue begins to flap. Some people don't access excuses, regardless of how valid you try to make them sound - you know that from personal experience. So once again you've hurt people who just don't want to deal anymore. Maybe it's time to learn how to apologize - if you want to clear up your mess then you're going to be doing that for a very long time.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
You can't seem to hold on to much lately, can you? Wake up! You're in college now so it's time to buckle down and decide exactly what you want and how to go about getting it. If you keep passing us every great opportunity you're faced with , then when all is said and done you'll be left with nothing. Now what about all this stuff with your friends? Do you expect then to take a back seat while you spend days recovering and sorting everything out? Taurus, you're known to be stubborn but come on, this enough already.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21)
Hey Gemini - congratulations! Well you've had some wonderful news lately and you deserve it. You've been working really hard and you know better than anyone how recognition never seems to come your way. So enjoy yourself, Gem. You should give yourself a little credit, but don't go overboard dear! It is good to have your self-esteem level reach an all-time high, but somebody will show up, without a doubt, to burst your bubble if your mouth starts a runnin'! So just casually enjoy your newfound glory and save your happiness for a time when you may need when you may need a little pick me up!

Cancer (June 22 - July 22)
So Cancer recently you have learned one of the most important lessons in life. The good always comes with the bad. So you've had a few minor complications with the people those who are near and dear to you...but you survived! You always do, Cancer. Your strength is something that will never let you down. Now that you have learned first hand please remember this when life takes another turn for the worst...there is always a silver lining to every dark cloud.

Leo (July 23 - August 22)
Well Leo, now that you've figured out how to get your own life under control - you feel that you have a lot to give to others. You're absolutely right - you've always had a lot to give and now you actually know how. However, make sure that you always put yourself first. After a miraculous transition you've learned that if you aren't doing well, then you don't have the ability to help anybody else. Keep in mind the importance of taking care of your needs before anybody else's...how are you supposed to support others if you can't support yourself? You've done an amazing job turning yourself around, Leo. We commend you!

Virgo (August 23 - September 22)
Okay, Virgo, so you're having a rough week. Maybe it's the cold winter months, or maybe it's just you're a little tired. Don't worry about it; with every bad day comes a good day so things will get better soon. Look at it this way - it's already Thursday, which means the weekend is just around the corner. See? Things are perking up already! Aside from the bad days though, you're having a great time with friends and are doing well in classes. Just remember that you have to keep it up for the entire semester, Virgo. And those winter blues you seem to be having will fade away soon.

Libra (September 23 - October 23)
Well, Libra, you surely have been happy lately, haven't you? Good for you! You deserve only the best since you've patiently for so long. Now if only you could use your cherry disposition in all areas of your life, everything would be coming up roses, wouldn't it? What about those things you've been recognized for recently? See, these are things you ought to be proud of - so go on and smile all you want! Everyone really enjoys being around you since you're known for your insight and personality. For now however, enjoy what you have but don't let it inflate your head!

Scorpio (October 24 - November 22)
Do you recall what we warned you about last week? You know, the fact that you had an important decision to make? Well, Scorpio, we are here to tell you that your decision was the wrong way to go. It just wasn't the wisest choices, or one of that you'll benefit from in their future. See, we're looking to keep our friendships - not break them. Right now all you've got is one big mess that we aren't sure you're really aware of and probably once you figure it out you're going to need some advice. So keep reading...

Sagittarius (November 23 - December 21)
So Sag, you sure do talk a lot whole you're glued to the couch! How about getting up and doing something?! You have found yourself in a very fixated environment that is difficult to leave. You've been waiting for people to come to you, but honestly they have their own lives - they're sick of waiting for you to move. Now is the time to get moving and do everything you've wanted to do this year. We're talking about all those things for which you have lacked the time, motivation and energy. So go ahead, your friends are waiting...

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19)
Hey, Cap, are we having a minor memory problem here?! We don't know what you've been doing lately but you've got some sort of mental block. What seems to be on your mind and why can't you seem to concentrate on anything? You know, Cap, perhaps you are in over your head. If it gets any worse, you may just drown. We understand that you're anxious to do a lot of things on campus but let's not get too carried away, since after all you are here to learn...go figure, it's college. So, let's sit back this week and get things sorted out, all right?

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18)
News flash, hello?! It's time to put a little pep into your life - we know you've got a lot to offer everyone but let's stop sitting there and start proving it. What do you say? Instead of letting college passing you by, grab hold of it and make the most of it. The few you've actually given the opportunity to see your stunning side of excitement would really like the rest of the world to know they aren't making it up! So next time your at a party, for example, try saying hello with a smile! People will be blown away and you will fell so much better! Give it a try!

Pisces (February 19 - March 20)
Well Pisces you sure have been a happiness guru lately! Your friends love the times when you are so psyched about everything - you should definitely make this a habit! You are an amazing person who has so much to offer. It almost seems like a big weight has been lifted from your shoulders. If this is the reason for your newfound smiles then great - for whatever reason - keep it up! Before you know it everybody will want your digits! So keep up that fun, loving spirit that you actually let out last weekend and enjoy yourself.

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THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

We could not have hosted the 1997 festival without your help!

The Department of Theatre Arts Faculty & Staff

Friends In Need....

Switching Channels

by Brian Teta

It was about this time last year it started to happen. With the one hour post-Super Bowl special, the series of Diet Coke commercials, the scores of magazine covers, the haircuts, and that damn theme song, I started to get sick of *Friends*.

I would never have admitted it of course, but I was starting to lose a little bit of faith in my favorite show. Friends' writing started to decline, and it began to look less like the fresh and funny show it began as, and more like the multitude of clones trying to copy it.

Friends began to rely too much on gratuitous and pointless guest stars, (Jean-Claude

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The Friends Drinking Game

The Editorial Board of the Muhlenberg Weekly does not condone underage drinking and of course hopes that those of legal age drink responsibly, still, we guarantee that playing the Friends Drinking Game will make the Single Guy seem a hell of a lot funnier....

Take a sip if...

1. Monica anal-retentively cleans or straightens up (2 sips if it's not even her stuff)
2. Phoebe says a "Phoebism"
3. Joey doesn't understand something that should be perfectly obvious (2 sips if you didn't get it either)
4. Chandler makes a deadpan smartass response to a stupid comment (2 sips if you predicted it ahead of time)
5. Anyone mentions or sees Ugly Naked Guy (2 sips if you're ugly, naked, or a guy)
6. Any of the main characters drinks any coffee product
7. The exterior of Central Perk is shown
8. The interior of Chandler's and Joey's apartment is shown
9. Any of the main characters' parents show up
10. Any of the main characters are shown at work
11. Any of the main characters hug (2 sips for a hug involving more than two main characters, or an exagerated hug between any of the guys)
12. Any of the main characters asks "What's wrong?" (2 sips if followed by "Nothing, it's just that...")

Take a gulp if...

1. Phoebe plays her guitar (2 gulps if she mentions her mother)
2. Chandler makes a reference to an old TV show from your youth (2 gulps if you used to watch it)
3. Anyone says the word "penis", or uses a euphimism for it
4. Anyone says the word "breast", or uses a euphimism for it
5. Any of the main characters drinks bottled water
6. All six main characters hang out in Monica's and Rachel's apartment
7. The hallway between Monica's and Chandler's apartment is shown
8. The interior of Ross' apartment is shown
9. Any of the main characters kiss a non-main character
10. Marcel the monkey shows up (2 gulps if he's not with Ross)
11. Any main character gets mad at another main character (drink everything in sight and lose faith in sit-com television if they don't make up by the end of the show)

Chug your entire drink if...

1. Monica goes out with someone who's not a weirdo
2. Phoebe makes an intelligent, sensible comment
3. Joey offers good love-life advice to anyone
4. Any of the main characters drinks any alcoholic beverage
5. All six main characters hang out in Chandler's and Joey's apartment
6. Any of the main characters sleeps with a non-main character
7. There's a reference to any other NBC Thursday night TV show (chug 2 drinks if a main character from that show makes a guest appearance, in character)

Drink everything in sight if...

1. Rachel's ex-fiance shows up
2. Monica tells her mother to go to hell
3. Phoebe and Ursula are seen together
4. Ross kills Mark
5. Joey gets the lead role in a Broadway show
6. Ugly Naked Guy is shown
7. Any of the main characters sleeps with another main character (go to the store to get more to drink if it's Ross and Monica)

Alpha Chis who made Deans List First Semester

Rachel Attwood
Andrea Baker
Doreen Cicchetti
Ali Del Vecchio
Stacey Derderian
Lesley Grunbaum
Alison Kenny
Janine Lobello
Sarah Miner
Kate Moyer
Lauren Rapaport
Beth Rogers
Elizabeth Shuman
Jen Staarman
Laura Varrone
Jamie Verrone
Jessica Wallitsch
Lynne Weiner
Colleen Woods

Muhlenberg Dancers

in Concert

Jan 30, 31 & Feb 1 - 8 p.m.
Baker Center for the Arts
Reservations 821-3333

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
Karen Dearborn

CHOREOGRAPHERS
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Karen Dearborn
Kim Maniscalco
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Mark Shanaman

GUEST ARTISTS
Dave Leonhardt
Jazz Quartet
Michael Moss

Tickets $6, Students $4

Letters to the Editor

Clergy, Administration, and Students Responds to Hate Crimes

To the Muhlenberg Community:

As the members of the Muhlenberg chaplaincy team we think it is appropriate that we join in the discussion of ethnic intimidation on campus. Last fall, after a small swastika was discovered on the outside rear wall of the chapel, our response was to contact campus safety and housekeeping. It was swiftly removed.

Had the derogatory symbol or word been directed against women, gays or lesbians, people of color, Jews, or any other minority, our response would have been the same. We support the administration's handling of this incident. We have every reason to believe that this may have been the action of someone who is not a member of the Muhlenberg community. Again, this was the rear wall facing 23rd Street. To spotlight the incident with an administrative memo at the time would have not only possibly falsely accused a member of the Muhlenberg community but would have served to hurt members of our community by drawing attention to this very painful symbol.

The Prosser incident was a similar hate crime except that it contained two separate defacements of a poster advertising support for gay and lesbian students. Further, the fact that this incident took place inside a residence hall suggests that someone from our own community intentionally set out to hurt and intimidate gay and lesbian residents of Prosser Hall. The administrative memo deploring this action was sent only to Prosser residents again, as with the Chapel incident, to contain the hurt and fear of the entire campus. Also, given the fact that Prosser houses only first-year students, it was important to send a strong message that Muhlenberg does not tolerate any message of hate on campus. We trust that upperclassmen are well aware of this fact already.

We will continue to stand, individually and as a chaplaincy team, against any form of bigotry, hatred, or intolerance on campus. We are proud to serve at an institution that places such a high value on diversity and compassion. And we invite anyone who would like to discuss these issues further to contact any of us.

Sincerely,
Don King
Chaplain
John Krivak
Catholic Campus Minister
Patti Mittleman
Hillel Director

To the Muhlenberg College Community:

The College takes matters involving ethnic intimidation seriously. We have procedures in place to respond appropriately to these kinds of incidents. Regarding the incident discussed in The Weekly on January 23, 1997; the investigation indicated that the swastika painted on the back of the Chapel was badly faded and that the action was deemed appropriate because it would have been difficult to identify the perpetrator.

All of us (students, faculty, and administrators) need to continue to work together to prevent and address all incidents of intolerance and discrimination within our community. The responsibility to denounce these unacceptable actions resides with all of us. If anyone has information about any discrimination or intimidation, please report it to Campus Safety or other College officials. The identity of the person providing information will be confidential. We must work together to make our campus free of hate and prejudice.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eric Rudolf, Student Body President
Rudolph H. Ehrenberg, Dean of Students

AED Thanks Muhlenberg Community

To the Muhlenberg Community:

Last November, Alpha Epsilon Delta, the Pre-medical Honor Society, sponsored its first community service event of the '96-'97 school year. We asked members of the Muhlenberg community to either make donations or donate meals off their meal plan in order to raise money to purchase teddy bears for sick children on the pediatric floor of Lehigh Valley Hospital. We would like to thank everyone who helped make this even successful. Thanks to over two hundred individuals, we were able to raise more than four hundred dollars.

On December 7, seven AED officers took the teddy bears to Lehigh Valley Hospital, and distributed each bear individually to all the children on the pediatric floor. We were greeted be a receptive hospital staff and the smiling faces of children and parents. Thanks to the efforts of everyone who participated, we were able to make a difference in the lives of a few children. We would especially like to thank the brothers of Alpha Tau Omega, who donated the most meals, and the sisters of Alpha Chi Omega for their exceeding support of this event

Sincerely,
Tiana Shekari
AED community service co-chair

Editor Thanks Dean Hooker-Haring

An Outside Perspective
by Mark A. Koup

This week I would like to thank Dean Hooker-Haring for his time a few weeks ago. He granted me an interview which was published in the January 23, 1997 issue of *The Muhlenberg Weekly*. It was informative and I appreciate his time.

I think it is imperative that the student body is aware of events within the administration of Muhlenberg. Often times, students are not aware of occurrences within the College community. I was asked a few questions about the optional S.A.T. policy recently established. My goal for the one on one interviews is to help the student body become informed of new policies and administration positions on issues, such as the S.A.T. policy as well as other things.

Look for more one on one interviews to come. We are in the process of lining up more interviews that will hopefully enlighten the student body.

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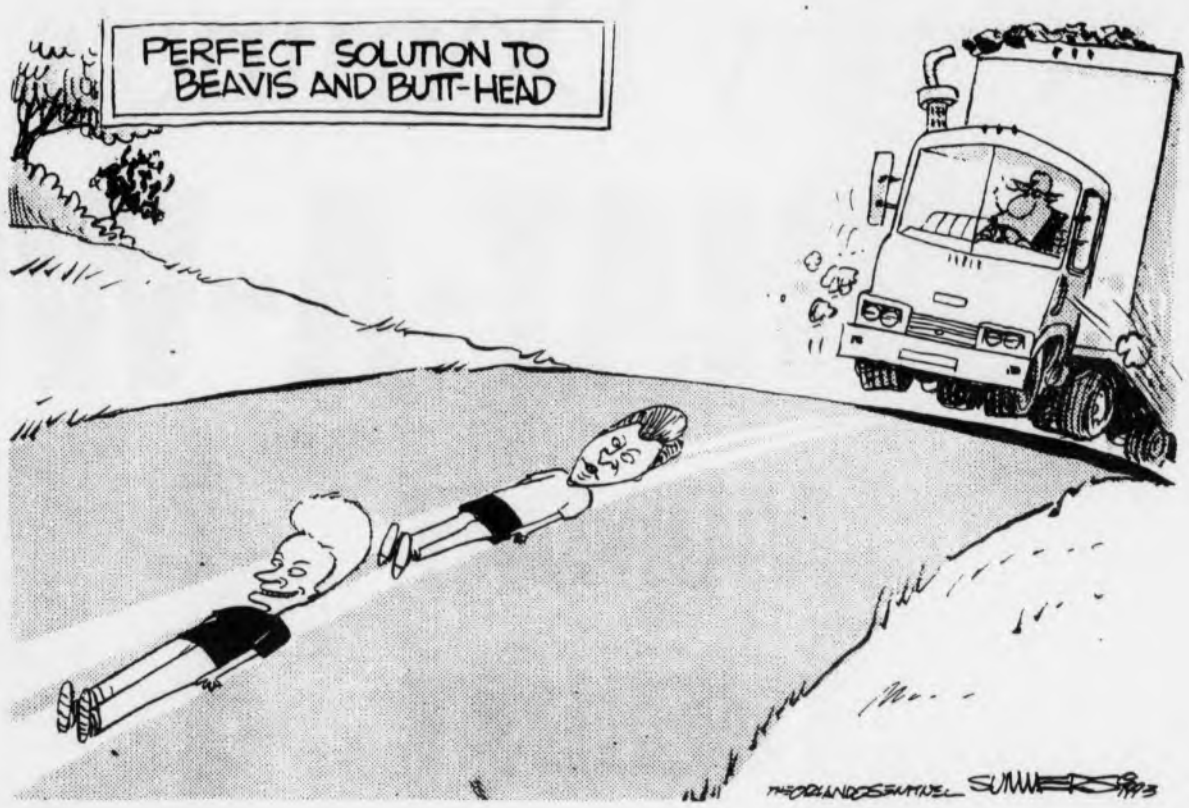

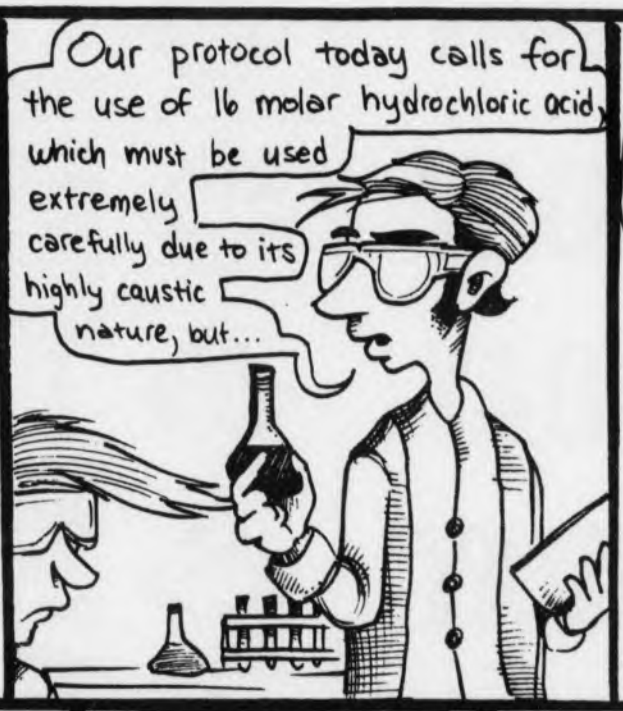
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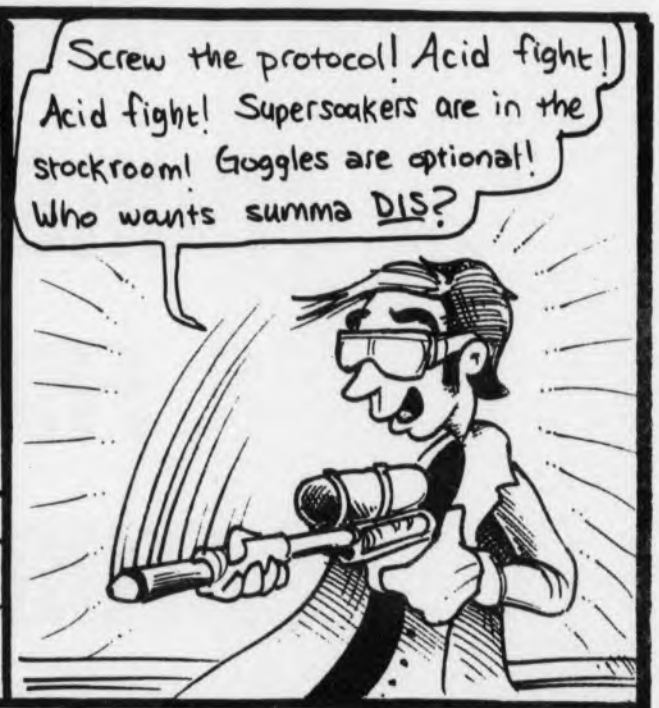

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Profile of a Mule: Eli LaRocca

Part two of a weekly series highlighting Muhlenberg star athletes

by Steve Faella
Weekly Sports Writer

This year, the Muhlenberg Women's basketball team had high expectations. They started the season with a national ranking of ninth in the country.

However, the Lady Mules have been plagued with all kinds of injuries:

Most recently, they have been without their dynamic duo of a back-court in Jill Roth and Sarah Clarke, who have missed games with a knee injury and a severe ankle injury.

Through it all there has been one constant and that is Elvira LaRocca, the team's starting center and a co-captain along with Laura Tichy.

Eli, a senior, is in her second year as the starting "force in the middle." Rarely do opponents get into the paint and find an easy shot.

Eli has led the team in blocks each of the past two seasons.

Besides getting pleasure in swatting opponents shots away like a bad habit, she is also very good at cleaning the glass.

She led the team in rebounding last year pulling down a total of 150 rebounds; averaging 5.8 per game.

Eli is majoring in Art at Muhlenberg, showing that she is just as creative in the classroom as she is on the court.

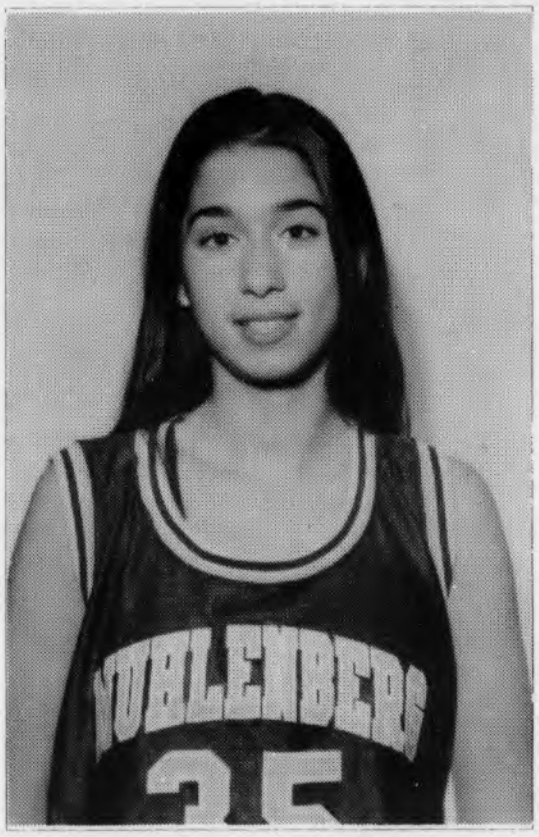
She came here from St. Joseph Hill Academy in Staten Island, New York; along with teammate Lisa Clarke.

However, Eli did not start to play for the Lady Mules until mid-way through her sophomore year.

From that point on, her game has steadily improved from good to great, with her statistics improving yearly.

Coming into this year, Eli had been averaging 7.4 points per game, and averaging 4.9 rebounds.

Last year, she started every game for Coach Tammy Smith at center, and was the third leading scorer on the team



averaging 8.3 points per game, and led the team in both rebounding and blocked shots.

Over the last 12 games of last season, Eli went on a tear, averaging nearly ten points per game, and pulling down 7 boards.

Not bad for a first year starter. Yet these performances can not compare to what she has meant to the team this year.

The Lady Mules are currently 7-5 overall, and 4-2 in the conference; just one game behind Ursinus for the top spot in the East Division.

The main reason for this has been the consistent play of Eli, who has stepped up as the team's go-to player thus far as the team's injuries continue.

Although she missed the Scotty Wood Tournament with the flu, her game has been anything but sickly since she returned.

She is currently averaging 12.6 points per game, 9.2 rebounds, 10 blocks, and has a 48.6% shooting percentage, which is third in the conference.

She is the team leader in every one of those categories. She has been the main part of a defense that is ranked third in the conference and that is tops in rebounding.

Eli has also gained the respects of other coaches as well. She was named to the Scotty Wood All-Tournament Team last year, and to the Western Connecticut All-Tournament Team this year.

She was also named Centennial Conference Player of the Week earlier this season following a monster performance she put on against Gettysburg.

The Lady Mules recorded an easy victory thanks in part to Eli's career high 25 points, 14 rebounds, and 4 blocks.

Eli is not just a talented and athletic player, but a classy player as well. She is a leader by example rather than by flamboyance.

Earlier this year, in a game in which she recorded double digits in points and rebounds, she gave all of the credit to her other teammates.

With all of the major setbacks this year, the team has relied on LaRocca for her leadership and basketball ability.

She has taken this team on her shoulders this season and has kept them in the hunt for a championship.

You can see LaRocca and the rest of the women's basketball team in action on Tuesday at 6:00 pm when they face off against conference rival Ursinus.

National Sports Update

The Green Bay Packers defeated the New England Patriots by a score of 35-21 Sunday in Super Bowl XXXI. Desmond Howard won the MVP for the Packers after returning a kickoff 99 yards.

The odds are already out for next year's Super Bowl winner. The Packers are the very early favorites at 4:1 odds. The Eagles have 50:1 odds, the Giants 10,000:1, and the Jets have one million:1 odds of winning.

The rating for the Super Bowl were down this year, and the general public opinion was that the commercials were the worst in years, according to the USA Today ad meter.

Mike Ditka and Dick Vermeil will both return to coaching in the National Football League. Ditka will take over the reins of the New Orleans Saints, and Vermeil will head the Saint Louis Rams.

Olympic figure skater Oksana Baiul will enter an alcohol education program in an attempt to get a drunken-driving charge dropped. Baiul was arrested January 12 for going 97 mph in a 35 mph zone.

The "bash brothers," Jose Canseco and Mark McGuire, will be reunited in Oakland next season. The A's announced the acquisition of Canseco from the Boston Red Sox this week. The A's won three consecutive AL pennants from 1988-1990 with McGwire and Canseco.

Former New York Islanders defenseman Gerry Hart, coach of a youth hockey team in Suffolk County, N.Y., was arrested for assault last week after punching a 14 year old player on the opposing team and a referee. The player had said one of Hart's players punched him.

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Men's basketball team loses by 17 to Johns Hopkins

Mules can't keep up with conference rival, overall record drops to 9-6

by Ben David
Weekly Sports Writer

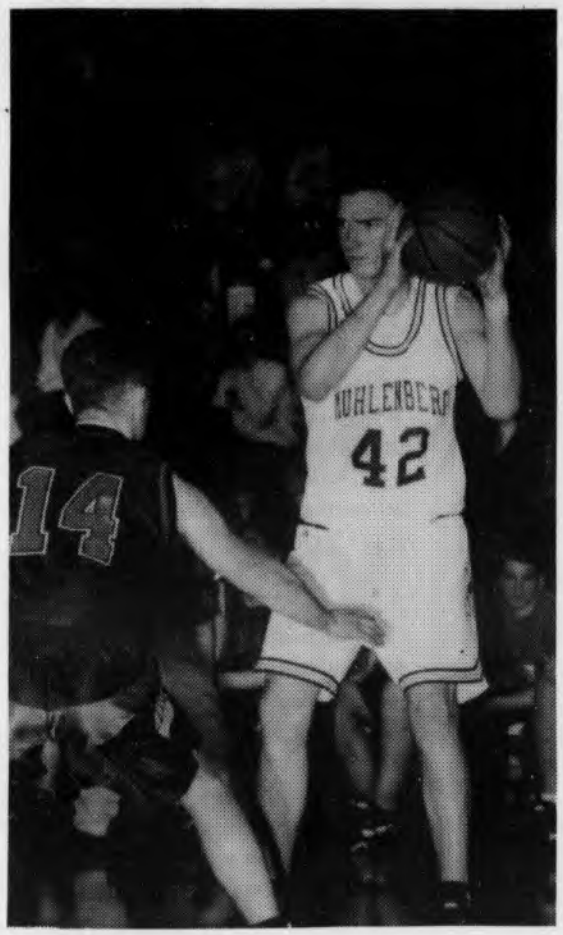
The men's basketball team is now starting the latter part of what has been quite the exciting season.

Despite being recently plagued by an injury to Matt Henrich, an injury that takes from this Mule squad both an offensive and defensive force, they have played decent ball, to say the least.

With less than ten games remaining in the regular season, the Mules have compiled an overall record of 9-6 with a 2-3 record in the Centennial Conference.

On Saturday, the team traveled down to square off against conference rival Johns Hopkins. In front of a crowd of 680, the Mules lost 70-53.

Head Coach Dave Madeira felt that they "played well through the first 18 minutes. We played good defense, frustrating their leading scorer, center Matt Gorman. Our offense was clicking as well."



As the final moments of the first half approached, however, Hopkins was able to capture the momentum.

Any athlete knows the importance of going into the lockeroom with the momentum on your side and beginning the next half in the same fashion.

Yet as Hopkins stole the momentum at the end of the first half, they were able to carry it into the beginning of the second frame.

"We missed some key shots early, an open three pointer and some others. They began to go inside to Gorman," said Coach Madeira.

Nonetheless, as they have often done, the Mules battled back. Unfortunately, however, Hopkins stole the show in the end, beating Muhlenberg by 17.

Hopkins is and certainly will be a contender for the conference championship.

And as Madeira says, "we have our work cut out for us," which is most likely true.

The Mules have played hard and played well since day one.

Center Jim Doumato and guard Michael Queenan have both been playing quite well of late.

Doumato has led the Mules in scoring in five out of their 13 games, and rebounding in 10 of them.

Queenan led the team in points five times.

The Mules' schedule is by far not an easy one. They will be tested time and time again from here on out by tough conference rivals.

Eight out of the Mules' next nine games will be against tough Centennial Conference opponents.

Those next eight games will determine whether or not Muhlenberg will make the playoffs.

So, as the season begins to wind down, the Muhlenberg basketball team must continue to do what it has religiously done all season long, work hard.

If they do so, which you can bet they will, their future should be quite promising.

Injuries plague girl's basketball team as season draws on

by Seth Leichter
Weekly Sports Writer

On Saturday January 25, the injury plagued girls basketball team traveled to Maryland to take the hardwood against the ladies of Johns Hopkins.

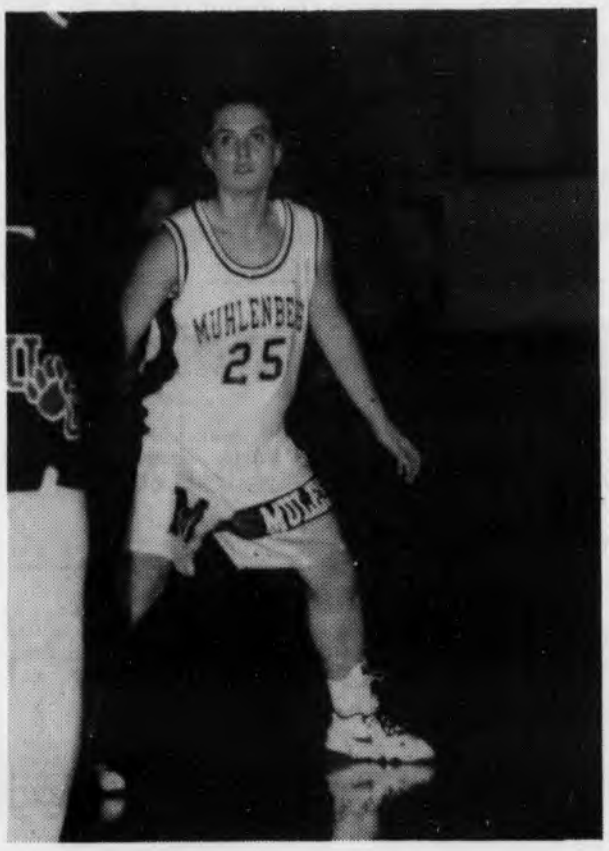
Sue Carney, Jill Roth, and Sarah Clarke are injured. Both Sarah Clarke (12.4 ppg), and Jill Roth (11.8 ppg), are out with leg injuries.

Roth and Clarke start in the backcourt and are second and third respectively in scoring.

Roth has been the leading scorer in five of their games, and Clarke has led the way in point production in two of the contests.

They have been the leading scorers in 58% of their games so one can see their loss is very detrimental to the offense.

With both starting guards out with injuries, the team was forced to start two freshmen in the backcourt.



Lisa Clarke and Amy Sandt played admirably with Lisa scoring 4 points in 22 minutes and Amy poured in a team high 17 in 37 minutes.

Other notable performances came from center Elvira LaRocca tallied 11 points and 10 rebounds in 40 minutes and Amanda Waterbury who came off the bench to grab a team high 13 boards.

Unfortunately Johns Hopkins was just a bit more than the lady Mules could handle as they were defeated by 16 points, 73-57.

Leading the way for Hopkins was forward Julie Anderson who was 6 for 16 shooting and a perfect 11for 11 from the stripe.

Julie dropped 23 points and cleaned the glass with 8 boards and 2 blocks to lead all scorers.

The Muhlenberg coach commented that Johns Hopkins was a good team and that it was not a bad loss considering the loss of three key players to injuries. That means everyone must step it up another level with only nine girls dressing for the game.

The team is expected to be back to normal in three weeks.

Hopefully the Mules can bounce back from only their second loss in 1997(3-2).

Coach is optomistic that the team can succeed if their man-to-man and 2-3 match zone defenses remain effective.

The offense will rely on the posting ability of Eli La Rocca, solid rebounding from Krakowski and Waterbury, and solid perimeter shooting from Clarke, Sandt, and Lynch.

On Tuesday, the girls host Swarthmore, another tough conference rival.

They have most of their starters returning with a new and very knowledgable coach. Let's hope the Mules can better their 7-5 record (4-2 in conference) against the conference rivals.

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Students gain cultural knowledge through European trip

by Lauren Casa
News Editor

Under the leadership of Dr. and Mrs. Arvids Ziedonis, 6 students and 10 alumni and friends took an educational trip to picturesque France and Spain from January 2-14.

On this study, Dr. Ziedonis, who has been Director of Russian Studies at Muhlenberg for 35 years, lectured students throughout the trip. His lectures concentrated on literature and art, current history and politics, and current events. The tour guide and specialists supplemented these lectures with their knowledge of their area of expertise.

Despite the record-breaking cold temperatures in Europe at this time, Dr. Ziedonis said that it was the "perfect study visit and the snow and freezing temperatures did not prevent the tour group from seeing everything scheduled."

The participants in the trip gained a broad range of knowledge, ranging from the French and Spanish cultures to their forms of government, medical systems and the post war effects on culture, theatre, arts and thinking.

A group of students, faculty, and friends of the College pose for a picture while visiting Europe.

Dr. Ziedonis explained how the French Government provides free education and medical care. Although they have high taxes and the unemployment rate is high, they are not in a state of welfare. He went on to explain how the people are satisfied because they profit. This was especially important for the students to learn because they saw how another democratic government successfully ran its nation.

The first city the group visited was Paris. There they visited one of the world's most beautiful Gothic buildings, Notre Dame Cathedral, with its flying butresses and wonderful collection of stained glassed windows. An extensive visit to the Louvre was also included in the trip. The Louvre is referred to as "Queen of Museums," and here the group was exposed to an immense amount of art and could trace the history of the city, of the country and its civilization, and estimate the enourmous contribution that Paris and France have given to contemporary history, literature, science and art.

France's Chateau Country with its abundance of mansions and palaces was visited before the group traveled south to the city of Lyon. Here the participants sampled food and wine after seeing an old part of town where excavations have uncovered a Graeco-Roman-style theater and odeum dating from the first and second centuries. The group members saw many old palaces and art treasures in this city, the intellectual heart of Provence.

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Later in the week, the group explored the ancient city of Arles. Art lovers in the groups rexognized the fields and trees and rustic scenes painted so luminously by Vincent Van Gogh. Dr. Ziedonis thought this was a particularly exciting stop for the members because they saw the "real life spots where Van Gogh

Summer College offers travel abroad courses for 1997 session

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

Have you ever wanted to travel to Europe or another part of the United States? Do you want to take a summer course to catch up or graduate? Muhlenberg's summer college has just the answer-summer courses which culminate in trips to areas where hands on studies can occur.

The first course offering is People, Culture, and the Environment of the American Southwest. For the first three weeks of the class, students will study on campus two nights per week. The course begins on May 19 and the on campus portion ends on June 6. Then, the group will leave for Arizona and New Mexico on June 13 and return June 29. While in the Southwest, overnight backpacking trips will be taken to Havasu Canyon and the Gila Wilderness. The course will examine prehistoric, historic, and contemporary developments in the American Southwest and will show the interrelations between the people and the environment of the area. For more information on this trip, contact Dr. Abruzzi in the Sociology Department at x3437.

The other course being offered during the first summer session is a course in intermediate Latin which culminates in a trip to Italy. The class will focus on Latin readings and discussions of Roman culture which will be encountered during the trip. The group will leave for Italy on May 21 and will visit Verona, Venice, Pisa, Florence, Sorrento, Pompeii, Capri and Rome before returning to the States on May 30. The costs are $675 for academic credit plus $1801-$1929 for travel expenses. A deposit of $350 is due by February 14 and the balance is due March 1. The travel price includes airfare, ground transportation, hotel accommodations (3+4 star rated), breakfast and dinner, tour guides, and admission to all scheduled tour activities. The trip can be taken without receiving academic credit as well. For more information contact Dr., Reline in the Classics Department at x3276.

The second summer session will also feature two courses with travel abroad. The first program, which begins on July 4 is a program in field archaeology in Belarus. The course, which is being co-sponsored by the Institute of History and Archaeology in Minsk, will focus on an excavation of the Iron Age Settlement and burial mounds of Snyadin. The trip ends on July 28. For more information on the program and a description of the costs, contact Walt Tremer at 282-1129.

The final travel program focuses on European Art and Culture. The class will meet three times before the trip to discuss cultural history and art historical masterworks through illustrated slides lectures. The class will then travel to Europe to see some of the artwork firsthand and get an introduction to European culture. The trip will begin in London with a tour including Big Ben, No. 10 Downing Street, Parliament, Westminster Abbey, The National Gallery of Art, Piccadilly Circus, and the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace. Then, the students will travel by ferry to Paris. In Paris, the tour will include Place de l'Opera, the Tuileries Gardens, the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, and the Louvre Museum. There is also an optional trip to the Palace of Versailles. The trip continues on to Italy via the overnight train. Students will receive tours of Pisa, Florence and Rome including the Uffizi, which houses Renaissance masterpieces. Deposits for this trip are due no later than February 28. For more information, contact Dr. Verderame in the Art Department at x3243.

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News Digest

courtesy of The New York Times
compiled by Jay Faigenbaum

After three days of deliberations, a verdict was finally reached in the wrongful-death civil suit against O.J. Simpson. He was found liable on all counts of contributing to the deaths of Ron Goldman and Nicole Brown Simpson. The judgement handed down was for $8.5 million.

A 22-year Army veteran, Sgt. Maj. Brenda L. Hoster, has accused her former boss, the army's top-ranking enlisted man and a member of the commission charged with reviewing the Army's sexual harassment policies, of sexually assaulting her in her hotel room during a business trip to Hawaii last April. She says at least one senior Army officer then tried to cover up the incident.

The United States, Britain, and France have agreed to freeze the distribution of $68 million in gold bars that were looted by the Nazis from European central banks, and Clinton Administration officials say the gold could form the core of a fund to compensate Holocaust victims.

The fighting between the Zairian Government and Tutsi-led rebels has spread to the country's mineral-rich southern province of Shaba, military officials said today. Reports of the fighting came as a senior Defense Ministry official in Kinshasa, the Zairian capital, said the Government now expects troops form Morocco, Togo and Chad to help its army contain the rebellion.

After meeting for the first time, Pope John Paul II and Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of Israel promised today in the Vatican to meet again as soon as possible in Jerusalem.

The bodies of two women who had died by lethal injection turned up this morning in Dr. Jack Kevorkian's hometown. One was brought to a local hospital, the other was discovered behind the county morgue in the retired pathologist's well-known Volkswagen van.

In his first extensive interview since losing the Presidential race, Bob Dole said today that his wife, Elizabeth, might run for President in 2000 and that if more details about Democratic fundraising had come out before the November 6 election, he might have won.

ABC News, which has lost several court cases related to hidden camera investigative reports, had one of those judgments overturned in its favor Monday. The California Court of Appeals threw out a $1.2 million judgment won by Mark Sanders, who was one of the subjects of a 1993 report on the ABC News program "Primetime Live."

James Earl Ray, the man who went to prison for the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is slowly dying in a Nashville prison. The Kind family in Atlanta has been silent on the assassination and Mr. Ray's involvement from the beginning, in part because it was so painful. Now, the family wants Mr. Ray to have the trial he has begged for, for almost three decades, since he confessed to the killing.

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2/1/97 - Vandalism - Hillside - damaged stair rail
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Later in the week, the group explored the ancient city of Arles. Art lovers in the groups recognized the fields and rustic scenes painted so luminously by Vincent Van Gogh. Dr. Ziedonis thought this was a particularly exciting stop for the members because they saw the "real life spots where Van Gogh painted his nature scenes."

They visited the old papal residence of Avignon to see the Papal Palace and the Cathedral. The old town is surrounded by sturdy town walls with 8 gates and 39 towers.

Once the group crossed the border to Spain, they toured the largest port on the Mediterranean Sea, Barcelona, with its splashing fountains, wide tree-lined avenues, lovely gardens and magnificent buildings. According to Dr. Ziedonis, they saw, "A Picasso exhibit full of his early and very rare works, including art of cubism and realism."

After traveling to Zaragoza, the study group finished its European tour in the city of Madrid. Their tour included Plaza d'Espana, Puerta del Sol, the 18th century Royal Palace with its hundreds of crystal chandeliers, Plaza Mayor and Paseo de la Castellana. They also visited El Prado Museum with its paintings by El Greco, Goya, Vasquez and other noted European artists.

Dr. Ziedonis went on to explain how "swastikas marred architecture and buildings throughout Madrid. This was an unfortunate and disturbing sight for group members, especially Jewish group members to see."

Linguistically, there were no problems because most Euopeans speak English. Dr. Ziedonis remarked that the "French people were very friendly to the group. They look up to Americans for leadership in their own government."

Senior Stef Golub felt that the "trip to Europe was an incredible experience. We were able to get to know the group members well and see so much of the countrysides of France and Spain. Learning about different cultures was exciting and Dr. Ziedonis's lectures on the architecture of the buildings and cathedrals were great because they gave us historical information on what we were seeing."

It seemed the overall group reaction was that the trip was an eye-opening experience into the lives of other peoples and their histories. The knowledge they gained came from personal experience and the trip was very rewarding for them. Stef Golub encourages other students to consider going on one of these trips offered through Muhlenberg and Dr. Ziedonis. "The benefits were considerable and I will carry the experience forever."

Greeks make a difference

Alpha Chi Omega volunteers for Cystic Fibrosis fundraiser

On Saturday, January 25, a group of sisters from Alpha Chi Omega donated their time at this year's Cystic Fibrosis Beach Bash Fundraiser. The event, held at the Allentown Hilton, was sponsored by WZZO and Budweiser Beer. Kim Cohen, Missy Carnrike, Colleen Woods, Jen Blair, Tara Shapleigh, Ashley Mawson, Kelly Beirnes, and Rachel Attwood all helped serve food during the event.

Any Greek organization which performs community service or other activities is encouraged to submit a story and/or pictures for publication in *The Weekly.*

Delta Zeta sisters helps throw Pinebrook Christmas party

In December, Delta Zeta participated in the Pinebrook Christmas Party for foster children sponsored by Panhellenic and the Community Service Office. DZ sisters volunteered their time setting up, cleaning up, painting faces, helping children make holiday crafts, and of course, distributing gifts. The sisters had almost as much fun as the kids.

Information concerning Special Interest Group Housing

The Office of Housing and Residence Life is now accepting proposals for Special Interest Group Housing.

A Special Interest Group is a group of students (**at least 8 students**) who belong to a recognized organization whose stated goals and objectives can be enhanced through a communal living environment. These organizations may fall into one of the following three broad categories:

1. **Academics**: Sponsored by an academic department. That academic department would have responsibilities for the selection of students and programming in the residence unit.
2. **Administrative Department**: Sponsored by an administrative office of the College and not necessarily academically related. An example would be a community service house.
3. **Recognized Student Organization: Recognized student groups according to the guidelines of Student Council.**

Timeline

January 29	Special Interest Packets Available in Housing and Residence Life
February 13	Applications due in Housing
February 25-27	Group presentations in Housing
March 10	All groups will be notified of their status and placement
March 22-23 Spring	Resident Advisor and Liaisons for Special Interest Houses are required to attend Training
March 27	Rosters due for all approved groups

New service helps grads find jobs

Looking for a job just got a little easier thanks to BigYellow (www.bigyellow.com), a national online yellow page service that lists nearly every business in the United States. Graduating seniors can find everything they need to help land a great job upon graduation by using this service developed by Nynex.

It's not too early to start thinking about how to put that new degree to use and how to begin paying off those student loans. Rather than spending hours looking through piles of reference books, graduates-to-be can log on to BigYellow on the Internet's World Wide Web to check out thousands of different products and services available to help find a great job.

Students can use Big Yellow to find comprehensive lists of resume services, employment agencies and career counseling firms. Many of these businesses are showcasing their products and services with comprehensive Web sites so that graduates can make informed choices. BigYellow also has shopping information to help find a great looking interview suit or even a new car to help you get to those interviews.

For example, a student can type in Employment Agencies in New York and find hundreds of listings like Career Blazers, a White Plains based, full service staffing firm. This company helps everyone from recent college graduates to fully experienced professionals find a job. The JobBank is another BigYellow advertiser whose Web site allows you to submit a resume to their resume database or to search the JobBank USA database for a job.

BigYellow's database is extensive, with more than 16 million business listings. Students can use it to find names and addresses of companies they're interested in pursuing on their own. The companies are categorized by business type. For example, if you really want to work in the field of computer graphics, simply type it in the category box, highlight your desired work location and within seconds you'll have a list of prospects.

With more than 5,000 advertisers, BigYellow far exceeds any other online shopping directory in content and is one of the largest advertiser-supported sites on the Internet. The service is few to consumers.

BigYellow also features 75 million residential listings, as well as a directory of 7.5 million E-mail addresses. Complementary, high quality shopping information is also supplied by more than 20 content partners for popular topics including dining, entertainment, health care, computers, travel, finance, education, home improvement, real estate, automotive, legal and home based businesses. You can, for example, finds a list of nearby Mexican restaurants, then check out reviews or menus on these restaurants. Or you can find a list of area car dealers, then look up the wholesale prices of cars.

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Information and Registration

The Muhlenberg Summer college has released its intended course offerings for the 1997 summer session. Full time Muhlenberg day students must consult their advisors during the Spring semester and get the advisor's signature on the registration form. Visiting students must obtain approval from their home college advisor. Muhlenberg College does not require special approvals to enroll.

Housing is available for students enrolled in at least one summer session. Bath facilities, coin-operated laundry facilities, and television rooms are centrally located. Students are expected to bring their own pillows and blankets. There is a fee for a telephone in your room; you must supply your own phone. If you desire cable hookup for your TV, you will need to make arrangements with the local cable company.

The first session will run from May 21 to July 2 and the first session for art and science runs from June 2 to June 27. The foreign language session runs from June 2 - August 7. The second session will run from July 7 - August 14 and the second science and art session runs from July 7 - August 1.

Noted journalist to speak

Linda Mason, vice president of public affairs for CBS News, will speak at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, February 12 in the Trumbower Lecture Hall at Muhlenberg College. The event is free and open to the public.

Mason joined CBS News 31 years ago as a radio desk assistant. As vice president of public affairs, Mason's responsibilities included supervising the CBS newsmagazine "Eye to Eye with Connie Chung," as well as all CBS Reports documentaries.

Prior to her executive producer assignments, Mason had been senior producer of the "CBS Evening News with Dan Rather" since March 1981. Earlier, she was producer and associate producer for the "CBS Evening News with Walter Cronkite."

Mason has earned 12 Emmy Awards during her career and was a producer for CBS News' critically-acclaimed coverage of the student revolt in China which received three awards.

Mason received her bachelor's degree in international relations from Brown University in 1964 and her master's degree in film making from Syracuse University in 1965.

Despite Mason's busy schedule at CBS, she has been very generous in giving her time to speak to Muhlenberg students about the journalism field. Recently a group of Muhlenberg students went to New York to visit CBS on a tour that Mason arranged through the Muhlenberg Career Center.

Award winning Castalia Trio to play Egner Chapel on Sunday

Muhlenberg College will present the "Castalia Trio" in concert, 3 p.m., Sunday, February 9 in the Egner Memorial Chapel. The event is free and open to the public.

The Castalia Trio unites three outstanding performers with active solo careers in an ensemble of rare accomplishment. Artists-in-residence at Penn State since 1991, the trio performs frequently in the United States and Europe. Recent international tours have taken them to France, Germany, Austria and the Czech Republic. Following a highly successful performance of the Beethoven Triple Concerto in Prague, the trio was invited to record a compact disc for the Skrvna label that was released in 1994. The disc was awarded the prestigious Sound Stage Award for Best Classical Release. The members of the trio have recorded for Vox/Pantheon, BASF, Slovak Treasures, Bayer and SDG Recordings as soloists.

The ensemble derives its name from a mythic fountain on Mount Parnassus which was sacred to the Muses and considered a source of poetic inspiration. In the spirit of rekindled creativity, the Castalia Trio is dedicated to bringing fresh perspectives to the standard repertoire, as well as commissioning and performing new works by notable composers.

Members of the Trio include Marylene Dosse, winner of the Salzburg and Naples Piano competition, on piano; James Lyon, winner of the Fischoff Chamber Music Competition, on violin and Kim Cook, winner of the International Cello Competition in Brazil, on cello. The Trio will perform works by Caltabiano, Arensky and Ravel during the concert.

Each member brings a variety of knowledge and experiences that contribute to the entirety of this unique ensemble. Individually, they have performed and/or recorded with such groups as The Group for Contemporary Music, Speculum Musicae, The New Jersey Percussion Ensemble, Newband and The New Music Consort and can be heard on CRI, Nonesuch, Mode, Bridge, Aurora, Koch and New World Records.

Guitarists to be featured Saturday

The Muhlenberg College Music Department and the Allentown Symphony are sponsoring a classical guitar masterclass with world famous concert and recording artists, the Los Angeles Guitar Quartet, Saturday, February 8 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Recital Hall of the Dorothy and Dexter Baker Center for the Arts.

The masterclass, which will be held from 5p.m. to 6:30p.m., is free and open to the public. For additional information, contact the Music Department at (610) 821-3364.

Positions available for students interested in providing a summer of recreation for special needs children and adults. Beacon Lodge Camp, located in Central PA, is seeking camp counselors for the summer camping program beginning May 28 and ending August 13. Also hiring WSI's, lifeguards, Program Director, Unit Directors, nurses, and the following instructos: canoeing, kayaking, archery, rifelry, games, arts & crafts, music, drama, nature, and ropes course. The summer offers a well rounded program of activities from bowling to overnight camp outs, and canoe trips down the Juniata River. To request an application and/or additional information, write:

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Sheen flops in stale Shadow Conspiracy

Shadow Conspiracy (PG-13)
★½
Hollywood Pictures
review by Brian Teta

In the political action thriller ***Shadow Conspiracy***, Charlie Sheen plays Bobby Bishop, a George Stephanopoulos type character with the distinguished job title of Special Assistant to the President of the United States.

Through an extremely convoluted and ridiculous sequence of events, Bishop becomes the target of an assassin with an unknown agenda.

Unable to trust anyone but his journalist ex-girlfriend Amanda Givens (Linda Hamilton) and his mentor Jake Conrad, (Donald Sutherland) Bishop sets out to unravel a conspiracy that leads to the highest levels of our government.

Shadow Conspiracy is a suspenseless suspense movie that is mainly a rehash, or more accurately a rip-off of many of it's political thriller predecessors.

While this genre of movie has been around for quite some time, *Shadow Conspiracy* borrows heavily and shamelessly from the plots of recent films, most notably *The Pelican Brief* and *The Net.*

The film contains very few surprises and plods along at a snail's pace. The audience knows who is going to die long before they are murdered and the mandatory betrayal of one of Bishop's confidants contains no real surprise.

The stunts in the movie are rather routine and derivative from other films and in the final sequence logic and believability are tossed completely out the window.

The audience never really feels that the heroes are in danger, so there is no real suspense. In fact, the problem with *Shadow Conspiracy* is the audience never feels for the heroes at all.

There is little time for character development within *Conspiracy's* complex but ultimately lame plot, so the audience never grows to care about the fate of the characters.

With his role as the mute, relentless and zombie-like assassin, actor Stephen Lang looks like he is doing a bad impression of the T-1000 from co-star Hamilton's *Terminator 2.*

Sheen himself looks dazed and confused throughout most of the movie and his cardboard performance in *Shadow Conspiracy* will likely suck up whatever was left of his movie-star credibility.

Linda Hamilton is given almost nothing to do besides look pretty, which she handles deftly. Luckily for her, Hamilton will get a shot at box-office redemption with tomorrow's release of *Dante's Peak.*

Donald Sutherland plays the same 'seemingly good guy with a sinister side' character Donald Sutherland always plays, and is by now fairly adept at it.

If the film is still in theaters by the time this hits the press then please know that *Shadow Conspiracy* is a film that should be avoided at all costs. It is the type of film that makes you wonder half-way through how it got made in the first place. Maybe its a conspiracy.....

Lehigh Valley Mall

Schedule for Friday, February 7 thru Sunday, February 9

Star Wars (PG) 11:30, 12:50, 2:10, 3:40, 4:30, 6:30, 7:30, 9:20, 10:10

Dantes Peak (PG-13) 11:20, 1:30, 2:00, 4:00, 4:30, 6:40, 7:10, 9:10, 9:40

In Love and War (PG-13) 11:40, 1:50

Metro (R) 7:20, 9:50

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Michael (PG) 4:20, 7:00, 9:30

The Relic (R) 11:30, 1:40, 4:10, 7:00

The English Patient (R) 12:30, 4:00

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Schedule for Friday, February 7 and Saturday, February 8

Dante's Peak (PG-13) 1:00, 4:30, 7:30, 10:15, 12:15

Star Wars (PG) 1:20, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00, 12:20

Beverly Hills Ninja (PG-13) 1:50, 7:40, 12:20

Jerry Maguire (R) 1:50, 4:45, 7:40, 10:30

In Love and War (PG-13) 5:15, 9:50

Metro (R) 2:00, 7:50, 10:15, 12:20

Shadow Conspiracy (R) 5:20

Evita (PG) 1:00, 4:20, 7:20, 10:15

Beautician and The Beast (PG) 1:40, 5:00, 7:45, 10:10, 12:10

Aphex Twin a Techno hit

Aphex Twin ★★★½
Sire Records
CD Review by Alex McTighe

As many of you may not know, Richard James, better known as Aphex Twin, has just released his sixth album. The album, entitled "For Richard D. James", blends a mix of acid, jungle, and ambient beats into an electric combination which both pleases and irritates the ear. Songs such as "How to Cure a Weakling Child" and "Milkman" stand out as innovative and at the same time make you feel sick, demented and almost sad. When one listens to his new album, one has to ponder about life, dreams, and desires.

Aphex Twin is considered by many to be the greatest creator in the world of Techno today. As far back as 1989 and 1990 he was experimenting in breakbeats and trippy hip hop beats. These styles are the main stay of Techno now and have pushed out the Trance Techno very popular in raves as the main Techno club music for their play lists. Radio stations are picking up more and more of this style of Techno, playing it in their prime time slots and charting Techno records.

The album is the farthest from danceable Techno. The jungle beats are broken and erratic. They sometimes even come to abrupt haphazard stops. The high pitched acid tweaks and low ambient drones twist the listeners mind, bringing it to the brink of insanity and then back again. The first song is stereotypical acid jungle for only the first thirty seconds or so, then as Aphex Twin takes hold of distortion boxes, drum machines, and analog digital synthesizers, he destroys all standards, creating his own musical form,

My personal favorite song on the album is Boy/Girl. It is one of the calmer pieces on the album with Cellos, Violins, Sustained Keyboards and a fast break-jungle beat. Each and every song has its own personality. One is angry, another happy, while another is yet sad. However, no song is horrible. Each and every song can be listened to with pleasure and pain.

Take a listen, it is on Sire Records, and can be found at any large music store (i.e. Tower Records) or some local store that specializes in underground and small audience music. You can take it for a test drive if you listen to WMUH 91.7 FM tonight from 8-11 p.m. I will be playing it in its entire existence!

Aphex Twin thanks you.

Jamiroquai: It's Amazing

Traveling Without Moving ★★★½
Work Records
CD Review by D'Arcy O'Connor

It has been agreed that guitar/rock music seems to be dying, and that a new type music will claim the prize main stream. Hip Hop, Jazz, Punk, and Techno have all been mentioned in the new musical rule. At a time where the culture of the United States seems to be in a halt musically, in comes foreign artists such as Jamiroquai to breath air into the US's cultural carcass.

Jamiroquai, headed up by the high pitched feminine singing funk guru Jay Kay, explode into a mesh between all musical categories to bring their third album, Traveling Without Moving, to the fore of modern music. Kay, an Englishman known for being experimental, oversees the production of this album with no specific link to any type of music. The album is influenced by funk on it's first track *Virtual Insanity*, but on the seventh track *Drifting Along* a reggae presence is felt. Kay even experiments with the dijeridoo, an Australian Aboriginal instrument that produces a concentrated resonanating sound, on *Didjerama*, and *Didjital Vibrations*, proving once again that his musical interests are worldly and knowledgeable.

Other songs that are of honorable mention are *You Are My Love*, which is a fusion jazz hip hop track, and *Traveling Without Moving* which combines a Techno type drum beat, a funk driven bass, and hip hop's own Technique 1200 turntables. Kay also captures listeners with *Spend A Lifetime*, which has a jazzy Roberta Flack type vibe with touch of Blues.

The members of the band are Jay Kay who leads the group and sings peacefully, Stuart who plays the bass phenomenally, Wallis an Australian Aborigine who brings the earthy tone to songs when he plays the dijeridoo, Toby who funks it up on the keyboards, and finally Derrick on the drums.

The lyrics in the songs are groovy and spiced up due to Kay's high voice. Kay's voice and words prescribe love and intensify emotion to a such a degree that even the Dalai Lama would be proud. It's obvious that Kay embraces all with compassion after listening to *Alright* the albums fifth track.

This open minded group of individuals produces a thirteen track album that will surely be a hit on all musical fronts with the right promotion. Jamiroquai respects the work they do and puts out quality music, which is something most bands today don't do. All in all, the album has a great feel and commands me to give it a huge thumbs up. Good work Jamiroquai.

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Muhlenberg dancers shine in first performance of 1997

Greater variety of dance types showcases dancers' strengths

by Jenny-Lynn Knotek
Assistant News Editor

Last Thursday, Friday, and Saturday the Muhlenberg Dancers held their fourth annual concert in Empie Theatre.

This year's concert featured a wider variety of dance than in previous years: namely, the first ballet on pointe, and a partnering piece, featuring four of the seven men dancers in the show.

The show started with a piece called "Transitions," choreographed by Mark Morris, who made his Muhlenberg Dancers debut. His five modern dancers performed a physically enduring combination of steps, taking them from flying in the air to rolling on the ground.

Morris kept simple costumes, which made the audience truly focus on the dance itself.

"Jest," by Clare Byrne, is juxtaposed to Morris'. Although it was also a modern piece, it takes the meaning to the extreme.

The dancers' costumes were reminiscent of *Alice in Wonderland;* wearing loose-fitting skirts and pantaloons in bright colors; they also wore beanies and white plackets with symbols such as spades and hearts on them.

The piece itself was more thematic, like a story; the dancers are trapped in a square of light, and only one of them gets out in the end. The military-esque "hup, hup" is even shouted by the women, making it seem like a prison.

However, some of the meaning gets lost in the complexity of the costume and how it connects with the piece.

Karen Dearborn takes on a new approach this year with "Richochet Reverie," a partnering piece.

The four men, Dylan Lane, Skip Moore, John Moletress, and Ruben Ortiz, each were surprisingly wonderful in their roles with their female counterparts.

Each set took on a different aspect of relationships: the sexual aspect, the attraction/repulsion, the obsession, and the love. All four men worked well with their partners, and really brought out the characteristics of their couple.

The only female "couple" of the piece, Abra Pappa and Heather Nucifora, are not really a couple; Pappa and Heather are connected almost as one being, who reflect on each couple.

This piece was a a welcome addition to the usual take on modern dance, and will hopefully be continued in future shows.

As usual, Shelley Oliver's tap piece was amazing. "Tuxedo Gumption" is a long piece of music, but Oliver definitely makes good use of sound, rhythm, and patterning to make ten minutes seem like two.

Dressed in full tuxedos, the tappers worked well with the live music, arranged by David Leonhardt, who also arranged the composed and performed the music for Dearborn's piece.

After intermission, the audience watched the aerobic and acrobatic modern piece, "Lift Me Up, Hand Me Down," choreographed by Judy Moss.

The entire piece was full of incredible feats of acrobatics; the most impressive being done by the two men, Dylan Lane and Nate Lombardi. At one point, Lane crouches on hands and knees, Lombardi grabs him around his ribs on one side, and does a head stand over him.

Then, Lombardi picks Lane up from his crouching position with one arm, carrying him over his shoulder offstage. The intensity of the movement is offset by the somewhat relaxing musical composition by Michael Moss.

"Vivace" is the first ever pointe piece in the annual dance concert. Kim Maniscalco choreographs a wonderful classic ballet, keeping simple costumes and precise pointe steps. The classicism is continued with the music of Vivalde. As a departing senior, Erin Tackett performed in her usual stellar manner, ending her Muhlenberg dance career with style.

The final piece in this year's show was a jazz number by both Karen Dearborn and Robert Torres, entitled "Quotes and Other Things." This piece is by far the largest, with twenty-four dancers taking part in a variety of choreography, from just moving across the stage in a line, to lifts, to tossing and catching one girl as a group.

The one fact that stands out at this show is that seven men were a part of three different pieces, two being in multiples.

It is definitely a plus for the Muhlenberg Dancers; in the past choreographers could not do such high or long lifts and tosses.

One student said, "I thought that it was weird if guys danced, that they just did the same thing girls did. But I was definitely proven wrong tonight."

The Muhlenberg Dance Ensemble loses several dancers this year: Heather Nucifora, Abra Pappa, Erin Tackett, Carlyn McCann, and Kristi Wilhemson.

All were part of the first Dance Concert four years ago, and will be missed by the program coordinator, Karen Dearborn, as well as each of the choreographers they have worked with this year and the past.

The next adventure for dancers on campus is the Muhlenberg Dance Ensemble's Student Choreographed Show, to be held in Brown Dance Studion in April, as well a Freshman Choreographed Show.

Congratulations to Kim Cohen, Rebecca Fredericks and Danielle Kokes for a terrific dance performance last weekend.
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Fortunate students learn their fate at Psychic Fair

Ellen Gerber
***Weekly* Magazine Writer**

It is almost impossible to watch any television show without interruptions by commercials advertising the Psychic Network.

But students were not calling LaToya Jackson's and Dionne Warwick's favorite psychics last weekend, for MAC sponsored Muhlenberg's very own Psychic Fair.

The Fair was held in the Red Door, on Saturday night February 1, from 8-11 pm. The Fair was comprised of a tarot card reader, a handwriting expert and a palm reader.

One could choose any or all of these activities, but lines were long due to a great student turnout, so most students chose the activity in which they were most interested.

Student response to the readings were mixed. Certain students, like freshman Jenn Reck were amazed at how much the tarot card reader knew about her, and exclaimed, "some of the things (the reader) talked about are already happening. It was really weird."

Freshman Mike Rembetsy was also impressed by the reader's "knowledge of the love in his life. She also knew about upcoming events like the wedding I am going to."

While some students were captured by the readers' vast knowledge, others were profoundly affected by the information they received.

Freshman Kenyamo McFarlane, who had his handwriting analyzed commented, "I feel very spiritual. My whole mind was opened. She told me I have great instincts and that I could do anything I wanted to. It was good, because (the readings) give you self-confidence, and make you believe in your self."

Freshman Ian Alderman, too was amazed because he, "always thought this psychic stuff was a hoax, but the psychic fair gave me a new perspective of the 'other worlds.'"

Other students, however were not as pleased with the quality of the readings at the psychic fair. Freshman Dave Metzger complained, "I think everyone (at the tarot card reader) got the same reading, but it was worth it....it was free."

Freshman Darryl Cole also "Didn't believe (the reader) because my friend got the exact same reading." Cole however did feel that "she had good intentions and was a nice person."

Not all the skeptics were freshman, though. Even older and wiser sophomores were a bit wary of the readers. Sophomore Kim White, who had her palm read explained, "I thought it was interesting, but the readings were very similar to last years readings. But, it was still fun."

Sophomore Elmer Moore Jr. simply was not into the "Dionne Warwick thing," but "guesses it was groovy for everyone else."

After hearing all of the reactions to the readings, I decided to experience the readings first-hand. After waiting fifteen minutes for the tarot card reader, it was my turn to learn what the future held for me.

I sat down next to the psychic and I began by cutting the deck of tarot cards, and choosing random cards from each pile.

She then explained the meaning of each card. However, the reader was in such a rush, that I could barely decipher some of her predictions.

And those which I could decode were the same readings that some of my friends had also received. It seems that for each card, she already had a rehearsed interpretation.

In other words, the predictions had no bearing on the individual. In any event, according to the tarot card reader, it looks as though a hundred or so Muhlenberg students "will be attending a wedding in the near future" and these people and numerous others "should not spend over a hundred dollars on anything, because it is not a good time to spend money."

Well then, how does she expect all of us to buy the bride and groom a present?

Anyway, whether you were amazed by the psychics' knowledge or disappointed by their generic readings, a fun and entertaining time was had by all who attended the Psychic Fair.

Besides, the price was right, and no one ran the risk of getting addicted to 1-900 numbers.

What's Happening on Campus?

Friday February 7

7 pm - MAC Movie - "Time to Kill" - RDC

9 - 11 pm - RHA Coffeehouse - "Morning Glory"

9:30 pm - MAC Movie - "Striptease" - RDC

Saturday, February 8

1:30 pm - Wrestling vs York

7 pm - Jewish Film Series -
"The Summer of Aviya / Under the Domim Tree"

9 pm - Comedy - "No Time" - RDC

10 pm - MAC Movie
"Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls" - RDC

Sunday, February 9

12 pm - Hillel Bagel Brunch

3 pm - Castilleri Trio Concert - Chapel

5 pm - MAC Movie - "Nutty Professor" - RDC

Monday, February 10

5:30 pm - MCL Movie - "What's Love Got To Do With It" - RDC

Blood Drive - SU

Tuesday, February 11

Blood Drive - SU

Women's Week Speaker - Recital Hall

Wednesday, Febraury 12

Blood Drive - SU

7:30 pm - CFE Speaker - 'Linda Mason'
Trum 130

Thanks to all the people who supported the successful Psychic Fair and "Hurry Down Sunshine."

RDC - Red Door Cafe *SU - Seeger's Union*

Consult the Mule... Your Weekly Hororscope

by Jen Zwirn and Sherry Fazio
***Weekly* Astrologers**

Aquarius
(January 20 - February 18)

So you've been a bit busy lately, huh? Well, why not take a break from your fast pace?! After all, you deserve it. You finally got that personality problem under control and you're ready to shine your true colors for the first time. You've been known to be a dedicated person and once you set your mind on something - you're good to go. So instead of focusing all this new energy on your schoolwork, how about giving your social life a boost! After all, there's always room for improvement!

Pisces
(February 19 - March 20)

Okay so you've been introduced to that "you don't know what you have until it's gone" type of thing, huh?! Well, yeah, it isn't the greatest feeling in the world, however it will get better and go away eventually. Remember, everything is character building. Everything happens for a reason and maybe when you get back what you've been missing you'll enjoy it even more! You see once you put everything in perspective and take a step back, you'll see that everything works itself out in time.

Aries
(March 21 - April 19)

Okay so things seem to be falling into place...finally! The past few weeks have been hectic. You've been pulled in lots of directions. How can everyone think you're capable of being in twelve places at once?! However, the important thing is that you've got to take it as it comes. Take it all in stride, Aries. Not only will you feel more in control but you'll call the shots too. All we all know being in charge is a big deal for an Aries.

Taurus
(April 20 - May 20)

You seem happy one second and sad the next. Come on, Taurus, decide on a mood and stick with it. Wallowing in self-pity will certainly take up much of your days, but you're really lacking a reason to do so. Try focusing on all of the wonderful things that have been happening lately. . .you haven't even noticed because you've been so busy being upset. Life will always have its ups and downs and that won't change. Learning how to deal with them is something that you can always improve upon, so how about it?!

Gemini
(May 21 - June 21)

Just when you thought things were horrible, something happens and poof! You've somehow been transformed. Are you surprised at the outcome? Perhaps you are, but you really shouldn't be...no one else is. You've got the tendency to sell yourself short but why exactly? Gemini, wherever you go, an element of luck follows. And you seem to be on a winning streak lately, so why aren't you holding your head a little higher than usual, and wearing a big grin? Come on now, enjoy all the new things that have come your way.

Cancer
(June 22 - July 22)

You've got people pulling you in every direction but you don't know exactly what path you want to take. So, Cancer, it's probably time you make a decision on this. Where do you want things to lead? It's all in your hands. Also, Cancer, you've been a bit antsy about something lately, haven't you? Well, everything happens in good time, so if you're hoping for something or someone to get a taste of their own medicine, perhaps you should just sit back and see what happens. Keep in mind what goes around, comes around, so if you think there's injustice with what's going on, just you wait and see.

Leo
(July 23 - August 22)

Everything that goes up must come down. With you Leo, you need to just take it all with a grain of salt. Whenever you're "here" you want to be "there" and whenever you're "there" you want to be "here." You're never fully happy, and you always seem to be craving something more. How about enjoying each day as it comes and not questioning the could haves or what ifs that you seem to be obsessing over. Life isn't full of what could have ben, it's the here and now so make it count.

Virgo
(August 23 - September 22)

You don't seem to have many controversial situations going on right now, so why do you feel that things are so bad lately? You just can't seem to shake things off, can you? Well, how about this - look at things from a different point of view the next time you feel flabbergasted by a problem or situation. There's nothing worse than a person with nothing wrong trying to find problems with themselves just to fit in. You have little to complain about - so why not just sit back and enjoy all that you do have?!

Libra
(September 23 - October 23)

OK, so you think you've got it all under control - classes, social life, etc. Well, to some extent, you are right but then there's a part of you who has absolutely no clue what you're doing. It's high time you got it together, Libra. Things don't just happen - you have to make them happen. . .if only you could grab hold of yourself. This is not to say that you don't know what you're doing, but perhaps you ought to step back and look at things without those rose colored glasses on. Once you face reality and the fact that everything isn't always peachy keen, you will realize that when things are going great, you'd better appreciate them.

Scorpio
(October 24 - November 22)

Hey Scorpio, you're awfully high on yourself lately, aren't you? Dear, don't flatter yourself. You're a wonderful person with a lot to offer but do you really think people spend morning, noon, and night pondering your next move? Come on now, get over yourself. Of course the ones close to you consider what's up in your life every now and then but no one spends every waking hour on you alone. You know, you ought to think about some recent mistakes you've made and try to learn from them. Perhaps they can teach you a thing or two.

Sagittarius
(November 23 - December 21)

So Sag, been flying rather high lately, huh?! You might want to take a stop here where the rest of us are! Spring break isn't quite here yet, as much as your anticipation seems to take over your everyday thoughts, you really should open a book. Also, there's a big even coming up in your life and you haven't even given it a thought yet. What are you waiting for?! There's no time like the present so start thinking about your options before they disappear.

Capricorn
(December 22 - January 19)

Hey Capricorn - well congratulations! Something wonderful has happened to you lately and your friends and family couldn't be happier for you. We are here to tell you, though, to slow down! All the fun and hoopla has completely taken over your mind. How about taking a few minutes out everyday just for you? You will never be able to get everything accomplished if you don't get your act together. Your head is still above water - be careful, we'd hate to see you sink!

Mother (PG) ★★
Miramax Films
Review by Jay Faigenbaum

"Mother" is an interesting commentary on the relationship between a mother and her oldest son.

John Henderson (Alber Brooks) is the son who writes science fiction novels, mostly unsuccessful ones.

Early in the movie, Henderson's wife leaves him and his world seems to fall apart.

He realizes his problems with women might be related to his tense relationship with his mother.

So, he decides it is time to move back home with Mom and resolve their relationship.

Mom (Debbie Reynolds) takes a long time to warm up to the idea of having her grown child at home.

She has her own ways and does not like being disturbed. The two bicker about everything at first from food choices to parking spots, and John becomes unsure of whether he should have bothered moving home.

Jeff (Rob Morrow) adds insight into the into the family as the favorite younger brother.

He seems to have the perfect relationship with their mother and becomes insanely jealous when John and Mom begin to get close.

In the end, John and his mother figure out the problem in their relationship; jealousy.

Mom was jealous of John because she had aspired to become a writer. However, her dreams had been cut short when she got married and decided to have children.

The breakthrough allows the two to patch up their differences. John then moves out, meets the right girl, and Mom begins to writing again in order to live out her dream.

"Mother" is a decent comedy with a few very good one-liners to provide humor. But the movie is not a great comedy as a whole.

Brooks fails to be convincing in his sale and Morrow comes off as nothing but annoying.

The best part of the movie was the performance by Reynolds.

She was funny as the mother/old woman who is set in her ways and does everything she can to resist change. Reynolds' jokes, attempts to be super cheap, and tactics to get her way seem to carry the movie from scene to scene.

Fierce Creatures (PG-13) ★★★
Universal Pictures
Review by Brian Teta

Eight years ago John Cleese's film, *A Fish Called Wanda* garnered critical success, a 200 million dollar international gross and a Best Supporting Actor Oscar for Kevin Kline.

A sequel seemed like the natural next step and after five scripts, two directors and hundreds of setbacks, *Fierce Creatures* is it. Sort of.

Fierce Creatures reunites *Wanda's* entire cast but has a totally unrelated plot with the actors playing all-new characters.

A few inside jokes aside, the past is forgotten and *Wanda's* gang of bumbling jewel theives have been replaced by a new but equally clueless crew.

John Cleese stars as Rollo Lee the newly appointed director of an English Zoo, whom in attempt to reach a mandated 20% return on profits, decides to do away with all animals that are not fierce.

Feeling that violence draws crowds, Rollo demands that all soft and cuddly animals be done away with.

Kevin Kiline does double duty as both Rod McCain, the ruthless Australian media magnate and head of Octopus TV, (a not-so-subtle shot at Fox head Rupert Murdoch) and as his amoral leech of a son Vince.

Jamie Lee Curtis co-stars as Willa Weston, an up and comming corporate raider who wants to take over the zoo for her own reasons and starts a romance with Rollo much to Kline's Vince's chagrin.

Finally Michael Palin re-joins his fellow Monty Python alum Cleese as Adrian "Bugsy" Malone the zoo's insect expert. Palin's motormouth Malone is a sharp departure from the few lines of dialougue he got out as the stuttering Ken in *Wanda.*

Fierce Creatures is both funny and quirky and manages to capture much of the spirit of *Wanda.*

What *Creatures* lacks is *Wanda's* overall meanness which was the source of a lot of it's humor.

Still, Kline and Cleese are hillarious, Curtis is sexy and *Creatures* is a must see.

Super Crossword

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1 Judges' benches
6 Small restaurants
11 Mythical Titan
16 Coach's concern
17 Last Greek letter
18 Mediterranean seaport
20 Mr. Grundy of rhyme
21 Founder of Bolshevism
22 Withstands
24 Kimono sash
25 Microphone inventor
27 Clown's props
29 " — Sentimental Mood"
30 Prima donna
32 Bridge coup
33 Caesar's fatal date
34 Warm and cozy
35 Skirt style
37 Isle of exile
39 Comrades
40 Mark in bowling
41 "To every thing there is a — ..."
43 Plowed land
45 " — in the forehead of the morning sky" (Milton)
46 Dill weed
48 Juan's friend
49 Volcano crater
50 Egyptian city
54 Animal that might be great
55 Jamaica seaport
59 Fencing sword
60 Psychoanalyst Wilhelm
62 Word with parade or rehearsal
64 Alleviate
65 Legal matter
66 Highway: abbr.
67 Bank acct. bonus?
68 Gift I.D.
69 Spring flower
71 Group of eight
73 Chocolate drink
75 Indian of Brazil
76 City on San Francisco Bay
78 — Annie, of "Oklahoma!"
80 Its capital is Tegucigalpa
82 Ancient Greek coin
83 Perfectly vertical
85 Tie the — (get married)
86 Comblike instrument
89 Mount — , California
91 King Arthur's island paradise
95 Actress Kirstie
96 Bloody
97 Ancient Syria
99 Growing out
100 The — of Orleans (Joan of Arc)
101 Stage direction
102 Partiality
104 "The Tender — " (movie)
105 Provide with weapons
106 Moe, Larry or Curly
108 Manage
110 Two — time
111 Took small bites
113 Persuaded
115 White powder used as a fungicide
117 Breakfast dish
118 San Antonio landmark
119 Brazilian palms
120 Frumpy
121 Short, sharp cries
122 Aspect

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2 Orinoco tributary
3 Parent-to-be's choice
4 Lumps of earth
5 Showing mental confusion
6 Double-coasted country
7 "You said it!"
8 Marsh
9 Shield
10 Capital of Chile
11 White poplars
12 Camping equipment
13 Covers
14 South Seas island
15 It was formerly Dutch Guiana
16 Alabama seaport
19 Right of holding
20 Soft drinks
23 Wise men
26 — of the earth
28 Vain
31 Having a handle
34 Scanty
36 Eternities
38 Egyptian dancing girl
39 Called on the P.A.
40 Refinery residue
42 At hand
44 Leo the — (Durocher)
45 Ardent followers
47 Male peregrine falcon
49 Identified incorrectly
50 Persian fairies
51 It's before hat or house
52 Plant exudate
53 The same
55 Box for salting fish
56 Language spoken in Kazan
57 Honshu seaport
58 Hot wine beverage
61 Mediocre grade
63 Bravo or Grande
70 Cured, as ham
71 Indian
72 Correspond
73 Punctuation mark
74 " — Christie"
75 Undergoing change
77 Skillfully
79 Couple
81 Symbol of peace
83 Inland country
84 West Indian country
86 Biblical name
87 King of the Visigoths
88 Went up the ladder
89 Active sport
90 Weather word
92 City in Wyoming
93 Giant grasses
94 Himalayan country
96 Ample
98 Reckless and impulsive
101 Place
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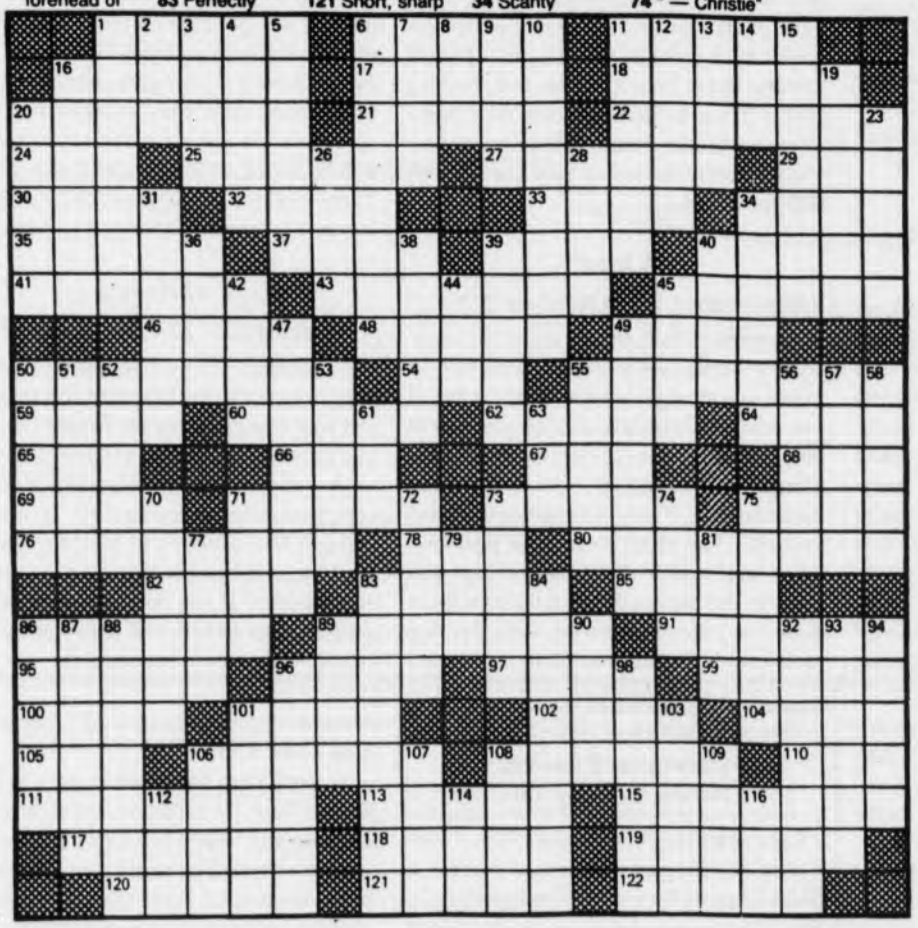
108 Tough fiber
109 Lanchester of filmdom
112 Fam. member
114 Guy's date
116 Western org.



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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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challenger® THE INTERNATIONAL CROSSNUMBER GAME

By L. Tenny Mackenzie

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- Vertical squares should add to totals on bottom.
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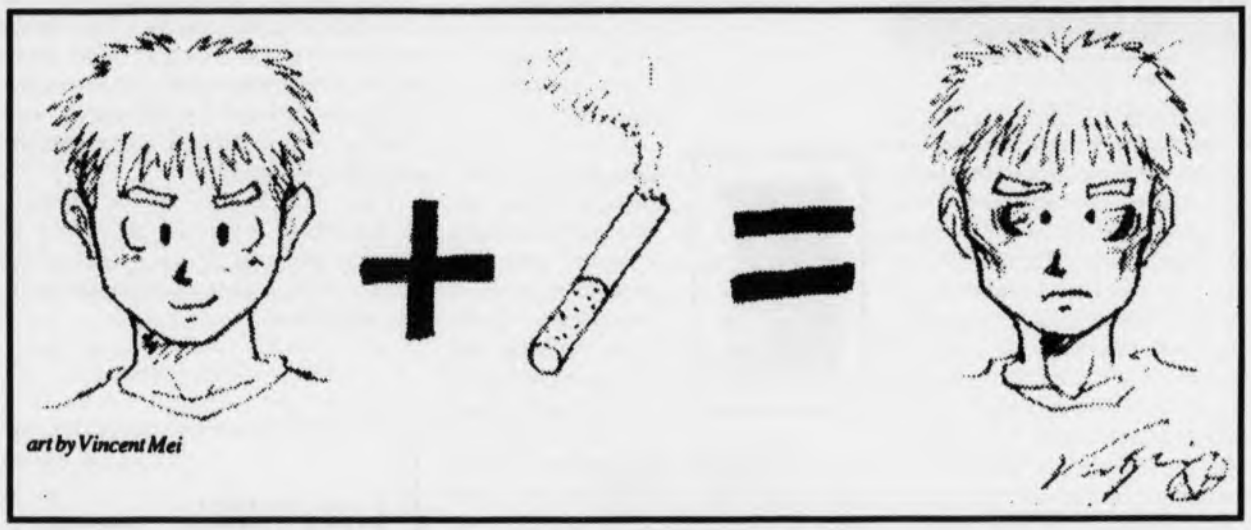
FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.

Differences: 1. Hair is different. 2. Flower is smaller. 3. Package is moved. 4. Burling is missing. 5. Handle is different. 6. Sign is missing.

Second hand smoke a silent but deadly killer

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief


art by Vincent Mei

Across the country, anti-smoking laws have been popping up like wild fire. This is, in part, a result of fewer people smoking and the dangers of second hand smoke becoming known. In 1993, the Environmental Protection Agency classified second hand smoke as a carcinogen, or cancer-causing substance.

For years, it has been known that smoking is harmful to one's health. This message has stopped many people from lighting up. In 1978, 36.7% of high school students and 40% of adults were regular smokers. In 1990, these figures dropped to 28% and 26%, respectively.

Recently, the fight has turned to second hand smoke and the dangers it presents. Second hand smoke has been broken up into two categories: mainstream and sidestream. Mainstream smoke is exhaled by a smoker while sidestream smoke comes directly off a cigarette. Sidestream smoke is considered much more dangerous because it contains all of the nicotine since it has not gone through the body of a smoker.

Second hand smoke can begin to harm a child before birth. In 1979, the Surgeon General released a study proving that smoking by a mother hampers fetal growth. In 1986, the National Academy of Sciences concluded that smoking causes the average baby to be born nine ounces underweight and two days early. Even that short time is significant because cutting pregnancy short can hamper heart and lung development. When a mother smokes, the chances of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome are greatly increased according to the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Second hand smoke has very serious effects on school-aged children as well. The Environmental Protection Agency reports that second hand smoke causes 300,000 cases of respiratory infection, 7,500 hospitalizations, and 10,000 cases of asthma. In 1992, doctors at Brigham and Women's Hospitals in Boston discovered that children of smokers had as little as 50% of the lung functions as those of non-smokers. In 1992, Mount Sinai Hospital in New York concluded that children of smokers are twice as likely to develop asthma.

In adults, the effects are not as great but very real. In a survey of people who live with smokers, there was a 30% increase in lung cancer. Also, the risk of a restaurant worker getting cancer is increased 50% if smoke is present in the restaurant.

In response to all of this data, government and industry have begun to place limits on smokers. Alfer Munger of the American Lung Association said, "Smoking is no longer just a private habit but rather a public health problem".

In 1988, the airlines banned smoking on all flights that were two hours long or less. In 1990, smoking was banned on all domestic flights.

In February of 1993, President Clinton banned smoking at all White House dinners and even McDonald's began testing non-smoking restaurants. During June of that year, Los Angeles became the largest city to forbid smoking in all city restaurants until New York followed suit in 1995. Forty states have some sort of restrictions on smoking in public and thirty states are considering bans in all public areas.

The EPA has been attacking cigarette ads which portray smoking as cool. The most famous ad was the "Old Joe" camel who represents Camel cigarettes. R.J. Reynolds refused to pull the ads saying nothing was wrong with them. It should be noted that the popularity of Camel has gone through the roof since the introduction of "Old Joe".

There is now a fierce battle brewing between the tobacco industry and those who hope to ban smoking in public. Tobacco giants Phillip Morris and R.J. Reynolds sued the EPA to overturn its classification of second hand smoke as a carcinogen. Although they did lose that battle, they did win the rights to continue publishing any ads they wished.

Tobacco companies have prepared studies of their own disproving second hand smoke is extremely harmful. They claim the effects are minimal and there is no proof second hand smoke increases the risk of cancer.

This debate is very real here at Muhlenberg. Many students feel that there should be more smoking dorm space available, especially for freshmen. However, the move on this campus has been the opposite.

This is a debate that has no end in sight and is just beginning to intensify. People have very strong feelings on this subject. Smokers believe it is their right to light up wherever they wish and no government agency has the right to limit where someone can light up. The opposing side says that the health risk non-smokers overrides the right of smokers to light up.

Which road is best down the new information superhighway?

Multimedia

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

"The information superhighway is here" has become a popular slogan in many television commercials. But where have you seen any fantastic change? Where is the digital revolution? Well, many cable companies have promised 500 channels and interactive television, but that has not arrived. AT&T has promised everything from a digital secretary to the remote diagnosis of sports injuries miles from a hospital. Many people have promised a great change that is coming "real soon", but for most people it is more important to focus on the here and now.

Well, what is here now? Computers have grown from the oversized calculators that they were two decades ago to the sophisticated machines they are today. And now, on-line services have grown at an astounding rate. There services show the first true evidence of a true breakthrough in communication. What about you? Just the average person, you are not a newspaper editor, not a famous talk show or radio host. You might think that you are not able to present your opinions or ideas to a large and far reaching audience, right? Wrong. With the Internet, you have the ability to post whatever comment you want to a newsgroup. Basically this a collection of short "articles" or just comments and suggestions that are read around the world by millions of people daily. This is just one of the adventures of the Internet.

But rather than outline the features of the Internet one after another, it might be better to explain where you can get these great new services. Most people have heard of a revolutionary breakthrough in electronic communications called the "Internet". Even if you have not heard of the Internet directly, you have probably heard of its cryptic sounding names in the news. More and more frequently one hears a phrase like" To send E-Mail to the government, just write to BClinton@WhiteHouse.gov". What does that mean? Well, though the Internet, you can do anything from "visit" the White House, write to the president, even visit a computer conference with a presidential candidate. But the Internet lacks one thing, organization.

By itself, the Internet is a motley collection of diverse services with no road map to find out where to go. With an on-line service, one can find order and stability as well as help for the inexperienced user. Basically, just like there are a few major telephone services: AT&T, MCI, Sprint; there are only a few major on-line services: Compuserve, America On-line, and Prodigy. But, unlike the phone business, the Internet has become very complex and it is not that simple to subscribe to. But each on-line service has its advantages and disadvantages.

Compuserve is the largest on-line service with the most features and the greatest number of subscribers. Its diverse variety and the extent of its forums (groups of services related by subject) has made it the leading service among professionals and private users alike. But, unfortunately, Compuserve's main focus is towards businesses and researchers.

Basically, the tools and extent of this service allow a researcher to obtain a wealth of information. But more importantly, and much to many a person's dismay, you will have to have wealth (or an employer willing to pay for you) to use the full extent of this on-line service. The $8.95 minimum monthly charge seems to be the lowest of the on-line costs, but this only covers the very basic of services. If you want to take advantage of the extent of Compuserve's features as well as the access to the Internet, it may well cost over $100 a month. Although, you can acquire such a large bill on any hourly charge service, Compuserve has the highest charge during "prime hours" ($11.70 for prime hours). Thus Compuserve is the most suited for businesses and researchers.

America On-Line (AOL), on the other hand, reaches out for the everyday person with more reasonable rates and a rapidly expanding number of subscribers and services. In fact, AOL has grown more than any other on-line service in the recent year (over one million accounts). Although this has led to "growing pains"- a relative slowdown of service and the rare, but existent, breakdown of the system; it has also led to a great expansion in the services. The interface to these services is by far the easiest to use. The interface makes extensive use of the pictures, easy to use directories, and even a live tech support service, on-line.

AOL has most of the same features of Compuserve, electronic mail, live chat (on-line conversations in real time, like talking to 20 people at once on the phone, with a keyboard), message boards, file downloads, and Internet access. The costs are only $9.95 a month and $2.95 an hour (after the first five free hours of usage). But, better yet, the cost plan is very simple since this is a basic rate which covers all the features unlike Compuserve and Prodigy which have a more complicated billing scheme.

Thus, AOL is good for the beginner or the expert. With its wide variety of services and easy to use graphical interface, AOL is best suited for the average individual.

Prodigy is often labeled by critics as a beginner's service, but it falls short for those who wish to expand. The services are wide, but not as extensive as those of AOL or Compuserve. It's Internet access is not bad. It even includes World Wide Web access- a graphical as well as text based way of accessing the Internet. Prodigy offers E-Mail, downloading, real time chat, and home shopping like the other top services. But the forums are much simpler and smaller in number and diversity.

Prodigy's costs are less than Compuserve's and about the same as AOL depending on which plan you choose. You can pay $9.95 a month for five free hours of usage (in any area) and $2.95 for additional hours. Or, you can pay $14.05 a month for unlimited core features (which is the same thing as basic service is for cable), 5 hours of free "plus" features, and $2.95 for extra hours. But Prodigy is best for the beginner and maybe for the intermediate user but not for those wishing to expand.

What to choose?

The choice for an on-line service is a hard one. But the choice is made easier through the use of a trial period. As in many magazines, the first month is free and you can cancel your subscription at any time. But, an informed decision is often better than a blind guess. For the business professional or the researcher, Compuserve is the best choice, if you can afford it. For the everyday person who does not know much about computers, but wishes to expand and experience the full extent of the information superhighway, America On-line is the best choice. For the beginner who just wants to experiment, but is not that serious about expanding, Prodigy is probably the best choice. But, with the "nothing to lose" trial period, do not be afraid to experiment and try something new.

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Seniors give juniors advice

To the Junior Class:

We encourage the members of the Junior Class to seriously consider their votes for Class of 1998 President in the February 11, 1997 election. The position of Senior Class President, as well as the other executive positions on the Class Council, is a very demanding position. A person in this position must have the ability to motivate, delegate and organize, have professional relations with the Administration, relate to and aim to unify all members of the class, be a true team player, and be willing to sacrifice a lot of time and energy. While we are not endorsing a specific candidate, we would like to emphasize the scope of this position, and encourage all voters to seriously consider which candidate will be able to carry out all responsibilities of the position.

We would, however, like to point out the dedication and interest expressed by three of the candidates thus far. Jason Carls, Sarah Miner, and Mark Urban have been the only candidates to speak with Eric Maguire, Class of '97 President, to gain a better understanding about what the position entails. Jason Carls and Mark Urban both have Student Council experience, and Sarah Miner has had experience serving on Panhel. This is not to say that the other candidates in the race are not qualified, but considering the duties of Class President, we suggest that prior leadership experience is essential.

The Class Council is responsible for raising money for traditional events like the Senior Ball and Senior Week. During our Senior year, we have organized a silent auction during Family Weekend, a Halloween Care Package project, and currently we are planning the 100 days 'till graduation party, the Senior Ball and Senior Week events, as well as working with Development to begin the Class of '97 Pledge Drive. These are events that require much thought, attention to detail, organization, and communication with both the class and the administration.

We welcome all candidates to speak with nay of us regarding the position. Please take this election very seriously, and take time to consider which candidate will be able to lead the class most effectively in you Senior year. Don't forget to vote on Feb. 11, 1997.

Thank you.

Respectfully,
Eric Maguire
Senior Class President
Doug Ladley
Senior Class Vice-president
Andrea Liberatoscioli
Senior Class Secretary
Michelle Reuter
Senior Class Treasurer

Officers clear up misunderstanding

To all members of the Class of 1998:

As you already know, the position for class president has become vacant due to the resignation of Michael Talercio. It was during this time that both Darrell Drason and I also pondered the idea of resigning as you class vice-president and treasurer. The reason for this rested completely with the fact that the three of us will all be studying abroad this coming fall. If we retained our positions, we thought it might be unfair to the class.

Elections for the new class president will be held next week, however, Darrell and I will continue to serve as you class officers until the normally scheduled turn-over date. We apologize if there was any confusion. We were only acting in the best interests of the entire class. Darrell and I will not try to be re-elected next semester, and highly encourage all those who are interested in running for these positions. Our class needs some highly motivated and creative people to represent them if they want a memorable senior year.

Sincerely yours,
Taisa Scors
Junior Class Treasurer
Darrell Drason
Junior Class Vice-president

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" Sorry, Stan, but that is NOT the answer for number 3. See me after class, please."

Fashion columnist looks deeper as to what clothes say

by Christine W. Park
Weekly columnist

Let's see, now I could rehash all the information I've picked up from Vogue, GQ, W, The Face, MixMag and from catching gritty, shaky video clips of the Paris shows on the Italian channel at home, but I've sort of lost interest in the trends of fashion. Besides which of you readers out there can really afford the Comme des Garcons new line? None of this stuff applies to me, and while it is a warm, friendly fantasy world, complete with cheering horoscope that promises me eternal love and a career with good benefits on the second to last page of the zine, it is not a world I can live in, nor can I drape it—casually like the sarongs so popular a few years back—across my body.

So what I'm, really trying to say is that fashion has become sort of a catch-phrase for me—a hobby that creates structure in which I can invest and extrapolate my own creative drives. But this is an advice column on fashion, and I can't affect to be Ann Landers, you don't want personal advice, you want fashion news.

Thus I would like to divert a few of your disinterested moments and take us back into the lush, plush faux-fur world of fashion. Girls and boys, let's have an open discourse on style. Style, I say, not fashion. This is something I see a great lack of on this campus. This is a new runway to explore and critique, not Seville but Academic Row. That's right, we'll dissect the fashions of Muhlenberg, and look for that elusive, but once achieved permanent factor that is significant because it is an affirmation of an individual, sacred, inviolable personal form of self-expression. Style has very little to do with fashion, but it is something that can be expressed using that particular medium. The blandness, the only faintly tainted absolute Abercrombie homogeneity of this school is stifling and self perpetuating, is the first, foremost, and most devastating fashion faux-pas that the people of this school commit. Those of you who are hip, and you know who you are, are exempt from this particular blanket statement, and you will also understand the feelings of unadulterated horror that I feel, because I can make a blanket statement about this school and have it apply. One particularly hip professor once commented to me, "It's a frightening thought to consider that the students of this school are, in general, more conservative than its professors." It is and can only be a sign of regression, stagnancy, and impasse.

Why, might you be asking, should I be indulging myself in esoteria in a fashion article? It is because, as you guys may or may not know, fashion is a product, and a very accurate diagnostic tool for looking at the internal basis of a society, at this false microcosm of a world we affectionately call Muhlenberg. One may find out about gender issues, about social issues, and about what kind of hygiene and technological advances a culture has made by what the people wear. These are my findings looking at it from outside and from within, this is what your clothes say about you, kiddies: You let the mass mob take away your control over the only material possession you can every absolutely call your own: yourself. This implies several things. I see people walking around, whose voices have been stripped form them, their individuality submitted to and sacrificed to that vast, faceless, and impersonal thing many refer to as public opinion. Darlings, public opinion can't love you, it can't help you, and it certainly can't make you scream "Holy Mary, sweet Mother of God," eight times in one night, but it will hurt you if you let it.

I guess this is why I love fashion, not because it makes me cool, not because it helps me get on the A-list in NYC, not because it gets me on the list at The Roxy (though it sometimes helps me get past the drag queen bouncers sometimes), and not because them men dig it, but because I dig it, and because it is one of the finest forms of self-expression possible—control of your own image and how people perceive you.

Wearing what's hot out there, what's newest in John Galliano's or Helmut Lang's shows, doesn't show much about you as a person, it just shows you're informed. That shows you make an attempt to keep up with what's new, which I can easily accept because it shows a sensitivity to change and progression. But like any other person who considers him or herself trendy, in musical taste, what's new on the Net, the NY Times Book Review, it's just keeping up with the world, a healthy way to relate to people around you. I try to keep up with all these things, hey it's fun and it keeps me from taking my own angsts too seriously, and it makes me a great conversationalist, in my opinion. But that's what it's all about, isn't it? My own opinion, my spin on it. I was not particularly thrilled with anyone's lines this year because fashion has become the press's newest media darling, and I want clothes and a little bit of glamour but not a full blown performance. I CAN'T wear skirts that drag a foot past my feet both in front and back, I'd fall on my face, as would most people, or get really annoyed really fast. And the Versace: hon, I do not want a person to get a clean look at my breasts unless dinner and drinks have been paid for.

So here's my bit of fashion advice for you out there who need a guru: think about what you put on in the morning before you put it on. Do not think about whether I will like it, or whether the hot guy who sits in front of you in Bio likes it. It's whether you like it or not that counts. Chances are, the boy in Bio class will notice you more if you're not worried about blending in. (Blending, mes petits, is a word that should only be used when talking about foundation or powder). You seem like your families weren't too dysfunctional, I trust that you will not want things that will harm you or are distasteful (unless you're into Olivia Newton-John as a fashion icon, but then you should be in therapy, not college anyway). But if Mr. Hunk O'Bio doesn't notice you anyway, or worse, notices you for what you are NOT comfortable in, clothes that say something about you that isn't accurate, then he isn't really attracted to you for you, and while that is comme ci comme ca for a one night stand (which is a great outlet for non-committal sex, and in general, youthful, libidinous nature), it isn't really satisfying. I dyed my hair kiwi, not because all the cool people do it, not in an attempt to be a trendmonger, but because I've wanted to do it for a long time and after a great deal of consideration, I decided I was cool with it, and let myself get carried away with impulse. Besides which, it does wonderful things for my complexion, and zaps attention away from those unsightly circles under my eyes. (Please don't look too closely at me the next time you see me—they're really there to my dismay). So when you go out shopping next time think: Well, what looks good on you? What parts of your body do you lie? The neck, get a scoop neck shirt or a flamboyant collar. Your wrists? French cuffs. Want to hide something? Dark circles under your eyes? Dye your hair—just kidding—wear something that draws attention to another part that you do like. If ever the phrase, "so and so has it too" pops into your head on a shopping excursion, or when you look in the closet, run away, don't look back, not too quickly lest the salesperson take you for a shoplifter. If it's hanging in you closet then think really hard, Does it look good on me? and God, I love how I feel when I am wearing this. Because it's yours, but only if you ask for it out loud, and say so, and keep saying so. Otherwise, you're as good as wallpaper, and I don't care if you're offended because I take one look at you and see that you're not one to fight back, against me, against the mass, against anyone. You are lame, and I say so to your face.

But I'm not down with talking low, so to sum it up in an upbeat way: Your Own Personal Style, it's what's in season. One love, my precious readers, I'm keeping my faith for ya.

Young golfer crosses racial lines

An Outside Perspective
by Mark A. Koup

So much is said about the racial divisions in society today, I thought I would take an opportunity to highlight one story that is transcending racial lines. Tiger Woods is a young college aged man who plays professional golf, and is an African American. He is the first high profile African American to play professional golf, and Tiger is already being projected to become one of the greatest golfers of all time.

Tiger grew up in an era that began the process of making golf a sport available to people other than country club members. The advent of public courses enabled the common person to play a round of golf without a membership in the often highly exclusive and discriminatory clubs.

It was relatively obvious that Tiger was going to be something special. As a twelve year old boy, Tiger could drive a golf ball over two hundred yards. To illustrate how impressive this is, most professionals average slightly higher than two hundred yards on their drives. He continued to play golf, and then became the youngest person ever to win The United States Amateur title, and then achieved an unprecedented three straight U.S Amateur victories.

Tiger decided to leave Stanford University without graduating to become a professional golfer. He went on to sign multi-million dollar endorsement deals with sponsors such as Nike, and then began his career. Sports Illustrated named Tiger Woods their Sportsman of the Year for his achievements during his first professional season.

Golf was a sport dominated by whites ever since its beginning. Only now, since pioneer Tiger Woods arrived, African Americans finally have a chance to make an impact in golf. It is also interesting to note that Tiger has the largest following of spectators during his rounds. Perhaps he will make golf a sport that is considered spectator friendly as well.

It is often said that sports are a microcosm for life. If this is true, then if Tiger Woods can cross racial barriers and be successful, there is no reason why the rest of society can't follow his lead.

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Students debate Editor'sWinslow article

MAC members take issue with coverage

To the editor of The Muhlenberg Weekly,

We think Jay Faigenbaum's article entitled "Winslow fails to live up to expectations" misrepresented student reactions to Michael Winslow's performance.

We would like to ask Jay exactly whose expectations Michael Winslow did not live up to. First of all, Jay questioned only four out of 1100 students, or a mere .3% of those who attended. We know of at least twenty students who told us that they enjoyed the performance. Everyone seemed to be laughing and having a good time in the section in which we were seated. We did not see dissatisfied students; on the contrary, we saw 3/4 of the Muhlenberg Community (a record turnout) laughing, clapping, and enjoying Michael's performance.

May we also point out that half the students Jay interviewed like the show! Ed Park '99 said that he "enjoyed the comedy and it was well worth missing ER." It certainly sounds like the show met his expectations. Brett Coplin '98, who referred to the show as "entertaining," also seemed satisfied with the performance. Where are all the people who were let down by he show? In actuality, Jay has only presented us with two students out of 1100 who disliked the performance. In our opinion, if he wants his headline to be credible, he needs to find more than 2 students out of 1100 whose expectations were not met. Maybe he should try talking to some of the MAC members who enjoyed the results of their hard work, or perhaps he should interview the smiling students in the picture that he ran with the story. They seemed to be having a good time.

We are in no way trying to discount Seth Leichter's or the other student's opinion of Michael Winslow's performance. They are definitely entitled to their own opinions. However, if any students are dissatisfied with one of our programs, we urge them to come out to MAC meeting on Wednesday nights at 5:30 and tell us what types of entertainment they would like to see on campus.

Sincerely,
Brian Fishbone '98
MAC Secretary
Joe Fiore '00
MAC Comedy Chairperson

Editor defends article from criticism of readers

I am not in the habit of defending my articles but this time I would like to respond to some of the issues raised about my article on Michael Winslow.

I will be the first to admit that only four students were quoted in my article about Michael Winslow. There were several reasons for the small number of students. The first being an impossibility to interview hundreds of people about any issue. Like everyone else on this campus, my time is limited and I cannot waste hours on end interviewing everyone who attends a function. In actuality, I spoke to far more than the few that were quoted in the article. However, I could not take direct quotes from everyone and I only use quotes when I keep a written record for both ethical and legal purposes. I will never simply state, one student said something without identifying the student. Also, the article was forced to fit into a small space and therefore I could not quote all of the students I had taken quotes from because it would have run over the bounds of the page.

Secondly, I did choose to include quotes of students who enjoyed the performance to show that not everyone shared my opinion or the opinion of the students who said they were not satisfied by the show. I did want there to be an equal representation in quotations of students who enjoyed the show. However, it was a review, not a news article and therefore the story and headline did not have to be balanced. I did speak to many other students who did not like the performance and could have presented only those but I thought I was being fair by printing both sides.

I have been asked to justify the title. Well, here is the explanation. The article was not a news story but a review and therefore certain liberties can be taken. Reviews include opinions from the authors and the article did include my opinions. Michael Winslow did fail to live up to my expectations and therefore it is justified. It would have been wrong for me to state that he failed to live up to the majority of students opinion, but I never said that. I never claimed he did not please a majority or any number of people for that matter. I do not need to quote more than two people who did not like the show for my headline or article to be credible. The title represented my opinion in a review.

Also, the headline never said the show was bad or horrible. The title said he failed to live up to my expectations. There were times during the show when I laughed and clapped, but that does not necessarily mean the show lived up to my expectations. I was expecting a great show from Winslow and I thought the show was simply good. Therefore, it is possible for a show to be good and still fail to live up to people's expectations.

I do take issue when people tell me to interview the people throwing the show for opinions on its content. Obviously, these people are not objective in most cases. These people had been working on the show and were most likely going to think it was great. I wanted the opinions of students who were in no way involved with the show. As for not interviewing people in the photo, that comment is simply stupid for MAC members to make. That picture was taken of Winslow with people from MAC and the student activities office whom I have already explained I did not think would be impartial. Secondly, who cares if you are smiling with the actor in a picture? That was not taken during the show and in all honesty, people tend to smile in photos with celebrities whether they like the person or not.

My article was not a personal attack towards MAC or the show's organizers, in any way. It was a review of a show which I felt failed to live up to my expectations. As someone who runs a student organization which is under constant criticism, I know how hard it is to take criticism sometimes after you have worked on a project for hours. I congratulate MAC on getting such a great turnout. That was terrific, but was also not an issue in the article and has no bearing on the quality of the show. The truth is, running any organization on this campus is a hard, often thankless job. However, I will not lie and say I like a show. I did not. I will not give a positive review to a show simply because MAC worked hard to put it on. Similarly, I never expect people not to criticize *The Weekly* because I work hard on it. Criticism is a part of running anything and that must be realized.

I feel my article was not in poor taste and I hope I have cleared up some of the issues people have taken with it. The bottom line is yes, there are people who disagree with my opinion and that is fine. MAC says if we want to give input we can attend their meetings. Similalry, if MAC wishes to submit their own reviews of events they know my box number and how to get it printed in the newspaper. They, like everyone else, can submit anything they like.

Sincerely,
Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief
The Muhlenberg Weekly

The World According to Me
by Josh Northridge

Well, here I am writing for a major newspaper. I told my mom I could do something other than be an aspiring professional wrestler. I don't know why she said it wasn't good to practice the wrestling with Grandma. When we were done, I always put her back in the wheelchair. But that's a completely different story. What I'm here to talk about this week is an alarming trend I see developing across this campus. It involves the throwing of snowballs. Just the other day, I saw a big guy whip one of these snowballs at a poor unsuspecting freshman girl. It hit her on the side of the face and it was obvious she didn't really care for this. Tears were streaming down her cheeks, but worse than that was the loud groan I heard from the guy that threw it. It seems he hurt his shoulder when he launched that mini iceberg and probably caused some type of rotator-cuff damage. The point of my story is this: if you are going to be participating in this type of activity, i.e. slinging chunks of ice at little girls, please warm up first with a couple short tosses. Thank you.

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Wrestling team grapples with small roster

Mules 3-7 on the year despite forfeiting points to every team they faced

by C.J. Lenat
Sports Editor

At first glance it would seem as if the Muhlenberg College wrestling team were struggling through a dismal 3-7 season.

But one only has to take a look at the individual statistics to see that the Mules are, in fact, doing very well.

While most colleges boast rosters of ten wrestlers, Muhlenberg has only six, forcing the Mules to forfeit four matches in every meet in which they compete.

Those four forfeits autimatically place the Mules 24 points behind their opponents even before the first match is wrestled.

The fact that Muhlenberg won three matches is a testament to the wrestlers' individual skills.

In thier last three meets, of which the Mules were victorious only once, they were 12-5 in matches that weren't forfeited.

During those three meets Bob Hough and Craig Farris went a perfect 3-0.

Those three wins, including a pin against Lebanon Valley, boosted Hough's record to 14-5 on the year .

Farris' season record was raised to 15-5.

On February 1 the Mules took on Lebanon Valley, and all six wrestlers defeated their opponents, giving Muhlenberg a 27-24 win.

In the other two matches against Washington and Jefferson and Lycoming, Muhlenberg lost 39-10 and 32-12.

Dan Terpstra, who wrestles in the heavyweight class, had his winning streak stopped at 28 when he lost to Lycoming.

Terpstra has been one of the Mules' most consistent wrestlers all season with a 9-1 record including a perfect 5-0 record in Centennial Conference matches.

Jason McLean also went 2-1 last week with a victory against Lycoming and a pin against Lebanon Valley.

Sophomore Brian Goldmacher went 1-1 in competed bouts, and picked up another win when Lebanon Valley was forced to forfeit. Those two wins raised Goldmacher's season record to 8-9.

The Mules have two matches left in the regular season, one on Wednesday February 5 at Ursinus, and thefinal match of the season is home on Saturday February 8 versus York College.

On February 15 the Centennial Conference Championships will be held at Western Maryland College. The East Regional Qualifiers are on February 22 at King's College.

Many Muhlenberg wrestlers have a legitimate shot at the Conference Championships and the Regionals.

I.M. Basketball Standings

As of 2/4:

"A" league:

1.TKE 2-0
2. BLK/ATO 1-0
4. CSW 0-2

"B" league

1. KFC/911 3-0
3. DMC 2-0
4. TKE 3-1
5. SIL 2-1
6. ATO/AEP/VIV 1-2
9. SDS 0-1
10. SOS 0-3
11. SPE 0-4

"C" league

1. NWO/FAT 2-0
3.FSW/TBP/SUK/SAD/DOX 1-1
8.TUL/ABC/BOX 0-1

Muhlenberg hires Mike Donnelly as head football coach

Rookie head coach will do"whatever it takes" to jump-start faltering program

Information provided by the office of Sports Information

Muhlenber College announced on Monday the hiring of Mike Donnelly, an assistant for the last four years at Columbia University, as head football coach. He replaces Greg Olejack, who resigned in December.

A resident of nearby Easton, Pa., Donnelly brings to Muhlenberg impressive credentials as the defensive coordinator and linbackers coach at Columbia, where he was instrumental in bringing a struggling program to national prominence.

The Lions ranked in the top 20 nationally in seven defensive categories in 1996, including third in pass efficiency defence and 14 in total defence and compiled an 8-2 record, the school's best in 51 years.

Donnelly's charges included defensive end Marcellus Wiley, a third team All-American and a projected NFL middle-round pick, and linebacker Rory Wilfork, only the thirteenth player to be named first-team All-Ivy League three straight years.

Donnelly cited Muhlenberg's academic reputation, beautiful campus, great location, strong football tradition and strong campus interest in the football program as reasons for his accepting the position.

"All those together make this an outstanding opportunity for me," he said. "I'm very excited to be here.

"I want to sell a philosophy," he added. "I want people to know this will be a good program to send their kids to. We're going to hit and hustle; we're going to take care of the small details on defense and in the kicking game; and we're going to really emphasize giveaways and takeaways. We're going to do whatever it takes to win."

Since graduating in 1975 from Ithaca College, where he was an all-conference linebacker, Donnelly has coached at the NCAA Division I, II, and III levels.

During the 1976-77 school year, he coached the defensive ends and was scouting coordinator at the University at Albany while earning his master's degree in education administration. Donnelly spent the next season as a defensive line assistant at East Stroudsburg University.

After two seasons as defensive coordinator and head track coach at Rensselair Polytechnic Institute, Donnelly returned to his alma mater for four years, coaching the linebackers and helping Ithaca to the 1980 NCAA Division III championship game. As head track coach, he led the Bombers to four consecutive Independent College Athletic Conference titles.

In 1984, Donnelly left Ithaca for Lafayette College, where he would spend the next seven years coaching at all defensive positions. He was defensive coordinator in 1988 when the Leopards won their first Patriot League championship. Donnelly spent two seasons as defensive coordinator at the University at Buffalo before moving on to Columbia.

Muhlenberg's 28th football coach dating back to 1900, the 44-year-old Donnelly and his wife Beth have two children, Lauren, 14, and Brendan, 8.

On Deck at the 'Berg

Men's Basketball:

Sat. 2/8 at Washington
Wed. 2/12 at Franklin and Marshall

Women's Basketball:

Sat. 2/8 at Washington
Tue. 2/11 at Haverford
Thur. 2/13 vs. Bryn Mawr @ 7:00

Wrestling:

Sat. 2/8 vs. York @ 1:30

Profile of a Mule: Dan Terpstra

Part three in a weekly series highlighting Muhlenberg star athletes

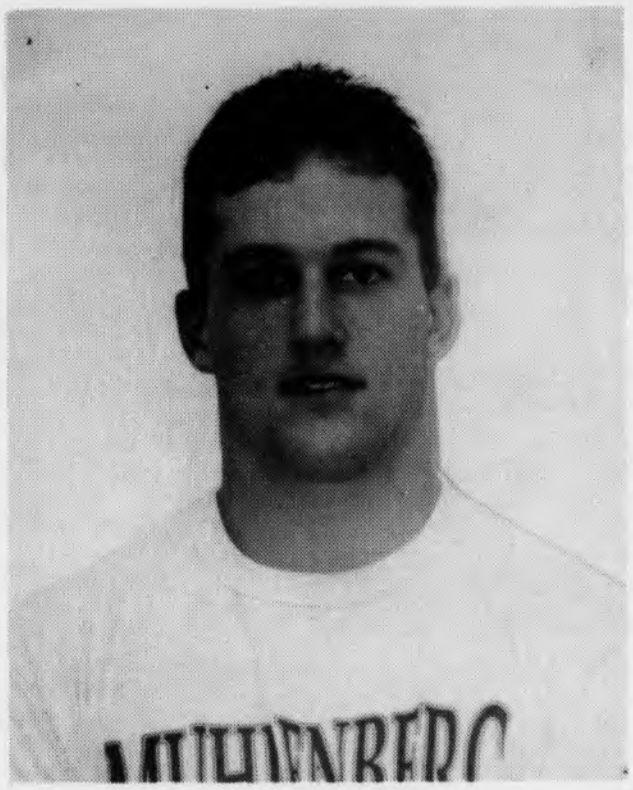
by Steve Faella
Weekly Sports Writer

What do Hulk Hogan, Andre the Giant, and Dan Terpstra have in common. Absolutely nothing! Unlike the first two, Dan Terpstra is a *real wrestler*.

Dan has been anything but fake in his four year career here at Muhlenberg. Besides being an accomplished wrestler, he has been a vital part of the football team as well; making Terpstra one of the best athletes at Muhlenberg today.

Dan is not just a superstar on the mat and on the gridiron; he is one in the classroom as well. Dan is a biology major, which is one of the hardest majors in Muhlenberg.

Besides balancing academics and athletics, he is also a member of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity.



Dan came to the 'Berg from Bangor High School in Bangor, Pennsylvania. After a long hard search, he finally decided on Muhlenberg.

"I chose Muhlenberg mostly because of its science reputation. Also because I knew that I could be a two sport athlete here," Terpstra said.

Choosing Muhlenberg also reunited him with high school teammate and friend Matt Buist, who eventually became his "brother" by joining the same fraternity.

Since coming to Muhlenberg, Dan has been a force in both sports he plays. In football, he didn't become a starter until his sophomore year.

That year, Dan set the school record for blocked kicks in a season. Last season, Dan was named Captain and looked upon to have a big year. To nobody's surprise, he did, being named Conference Player of the Week, an honor he also received his sophomore year.

At the conclusion of the season, Dan was named First Team All-Centennial Conference, as well as Honorable Mention All-East Coast Athletic Conference(ECAC).

Those are great accompishments. However, they are nothing compared to what he has done on the mat.

Dan enters his senior year as a Captain, and a three-time Centennial Conference Champ at the 190lbs. weight class.

Dan recalled his first tournament freshman year: "Wrestling is like second nature to me because I have been doing it so long, it is like breathing. I came in to that first tournament, which was as tough as a National Qualifying meet, and lost two straight after winning my first two. I had to step back and Re-focus."

That he did. The next year, Dan beat a rival Ursinus wrestler at the Conference Championship to give Muhlenberg the title.

His sophomore year, he won the National Qualifying Tournament, and was one win away from being named an All-American!

This year Dan was asked to move up and wrestle the Heavyweight Division, where going into this weekend he was 7-0.

All of these great wrestling accomplishments might not have happened if not for Pete Shimkin.

"When I was a freshman, I lived in the same dorm as Pete. I was not planning on wrestling here, but Pete came in and basically told me I was. I was impressed with his focus and determination, and that is how I wanted to be," Terpstra said.

I had the honor of playing with Dan in football and can honestly say that I am lucky to have had the opportunity to be a teammate of his.

He is an athlete who sets goals and then goes and accomplishes them. I have no doubt in my mind that Dan is going to be successful in whatever he does.

So Dan, thank you for being a great teammate and friend, and for setting an example of how to handle myself on the field.

National Sports Update

Scotty Bowman, the National Hockey League's all-time winningest coach, is one victory away from career win 1000.

Former heavyweight boxing champion of the world Riddick Bowe has enlisted in the Marine Corps.

Frisk Me Now, a 106-1 longshot in the Hutcheson Stakes in Florida won his race Sunday, and paid $214 on a $2 bet.

16 year old tennis star Martina Hingis won the Australian Open, making her the youngest player to win a grand slam tournament this century, and boosting her ranking to number two in the world.

Dennis Rodman will return to the Bulls' linup this week after serving the 11 game suspension and paying the $25,000 fine incurred on him by Commissioner David Stern for kicking a courtside cameraman in the groin.

New York banker Lance Alstodt won $1 million Sunday at the NFL Pro Bowl. Alstodt, a former soccer player, made a 35 yard field goal at half time to win the prize.

Jeremy Sonnenfeld, a 20 year old sophomore on the Nebraska bowling team bowled the first ever 900 series in a meet on Sunday.

The University of Kansas basketball team is still undefeated at 22-0 and ranked #1 in the country. Wake Forest, Kentucky, Minnesota, and Louisville round out the top five teams.

The New York Jets announced this week that Bill Belichick will become thier new head coach, and the New England Patriots announced that Pete Carroll will be their new head coach.

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Mules lose to Centennial Conference rival 59-54

Dickinson's stifling defense shuts down 'Berg offense as Red Devils' stage comeback win

by Doug Feldman and Todd Garretson
***Weekly* Sports Writers**

After facing a stretch of four consectutive road games, the Muhlenberg men's basketball team was happy to return to Memorial Hall for a Saturday afternoon contest against Dickinson.

The Mules had lost three out of four away from home to drop their record to 10-7 for the season.

However, squaring off with the streaking Red Devils would not be an easy task. Dickinson had entered this game as winners of seven consectutive games and sitting atop the Centennial Conference's West division.

The Mules have enjoyed great success at home in the decade of the 1990's, winning 62 of 77 games.

Muhlenberg would put its nine game home winning streak on the line against Dickinson.

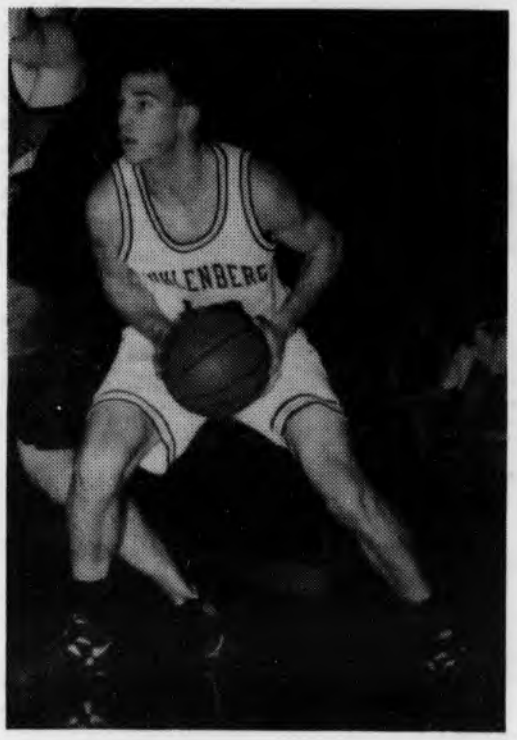
In the first half, the game was controlled by the Mules.

The team held a clear advantage on the boards, outrebounding the Red Devils 18-10.

Junior Jeff Graham and Sophomore Jim Doumato combined to grab eight of the teams's first half rebounds and enabled the Mules to get numerous second chance opportunities on the offensive end.

Sophomore Bryan Schurmann scored eight of his team high ten points in the first half leading Muhlenberg to a 31-29 halftime advantage.

Throughout the course of the game, the Mules had trouble taking care of the basketball. Dickinson forced the Mules into 10 of their 24 turnovers in the first twenty minutes of the contest.



The Red Devil backcourt of Shawn Ellis and Nikki Edmunds forced the Mules' guards to make poor decisions and take low percentage shots.

Junior Mike Queenan, the team's leading scorer this season, was held to one first half field goal and finished the game with eight points, hitting only three of his twelve field goal attempts.

The Red Devils intensified their defense in the second half, alternating between a stifling man to man defense and an effective 2-3 zone. The Mules did not get many easy baskets and were forced to shoot mostly perimeter shots.

Doumato was unable to get heavily involved in the game, fouling out with five points. Trailing by six, the Red Devils went on to score the final eleven points of the game to win by a final score of 59-54.

Going into last night's game against Ursinus, the Mules had lost four out of their last five games to post an overall record of 10-8, 3-4 in the Centennial Conference.

The upcoming schedule includes difficult matchups with conference rivals, Washington College and Franklin and Marshall.

The Mules time is running out for them to prove themselves worthy of a playoff berth.

Doug Feldman and Todd Garretson can be heard broadcasting Muhlenberg basketball on 91.7 FM. Their sports program, SportsRadio WMUH, airs at 7 PM on Sundays. This week's show features NBA Hall of Famers Julius Erving and Rick Barry.

Freshman Sandt powers Mules to win over Western Maryland

Fiesty Lady Mules look to post season and possible Centennial Conference championship

by Ben David and Larry Carney
***Weekly* Sports Writers**

On Saturday, the women's basketball team traveled to Western Maryland.

After a hard fought battle, they emerged victorious, fighting off Green Terror 85-62.

The team improves their overall record to 9-6 with the win.

Once again, the Mules received a sound performance from freshman Amy Sandt, who led the team in scoring for the second consecutive game.

Last Thrursday, she poured in 12 points against Allentown College. Saturday, she scored 23 points in the win at Western Maryland.

In the Western Maryland game, she also contributed by setting down a school record 4 three-pointers.

She also had career highs in rebounds with 11 and steals with five.

The performance also gave her a double-double, the first of her career.

Assuming that the Mules continue to click under the leadership of senior Elvira LaRocca who, as of now, leads the team in both scoring with over 12 points per game and rebounding with over ten per game, they will make a serious run at the playoffs and the Centennial Conference championship.

LaRocca's supporting cast, however, has been the cause of a great deal of this team's overall success.

Sarah Clarke, Amanda Waterbury, Amy Sandt, Laura Bedi, Jill Roth, Caressa Lynch, and others have all contributed to the team as starters and off the bench.

Roth is second on the team in scoring and rebounding, and Waterbury is averaging over six points and five rebounds per game.

Caressa Lynch, a freshman, has been a major impact player for the mules this season, averaging nearly 4 points per game

Lynch has given the Mules valuable minutes off the bench, averaging almost four points per game.

So, the Lady Mules find themselves in the middle of a playoff race.

To qualify for the playoffs, the team must finish first or second in the East Division of the Centennial Conference.

With the win over Western Maryland, the Mules are now 6-2 in the Centennial Conference.

They hold a two game lead over Washington (Md.) and trail division leader Ursinus by two games, going into last night's first place battle.

Led by Head Coach Tammy Smith,the Lady Mules next take on Washington College on Saturday and Haverford on Tuesday.

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Muhlenberg hosts former Russian and U.S. spokesmen

Gennadi Gerasimov and Marlin Fitzwater engage in debate in Egner Chapel

by Jay Faigenbaum
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Lauren Casa
News Editor

It was a unique chance to return to the days of the end of the Cold War through two men who were primarily responsible for informing the public about the events of the time. This past Wednesday, Muhlenberg College hosted Gennadi Gerasimov, former spokesman to Mikail Gorbachev, and Marlin Fitzwater, press secretary to Presidents Reagan and Bush. The debate was held in Egner Memorial Chapel and was sponsored by the Communication Department, the Russian Studies Program and the Political Science Department.

During the course of the evening, the two men discussed the Cold War, the present problems facing Russia, and prospects for the future. Fitzwater and Gerasimov were each given time to make an opening statement, followed by questions from three moderators, and finally questions were taken from the floor.

Gerasimov began the evening with a statement that was humorous at times. He gave an overview of what his job entailed and spoke highly of Gorbachev.

He commented, "My job was to persuade the world that Gorbachev was sincere. My job was complicated because I was a pioneer."

Speaking about Gorbachev, he said, "He was a starry-eyed idealist."

Concerning the end of the Cold War and the move to relieve the world from the nuclear threat, Gerasimov added, "Gorbachev started it all."

Next, Fitzwater delivered his opening statement. He spoke of his attendance at 14 summits, his relationship with Gerasimov, and also added his own dose of humor. Fitzwater also spoke about Reagan and Bush, saying both had great senses of humor and he enjoyed working with them very much.

Fitzwater said about Gerasimov before his first official visit to the United States, "The man was everywhere." Gerasimov was all over the television and was becoming a very popular figure with the American public.

Gerasimov (left) and Fitzwater take a moment before the debate to display their mutual respect and admiration.

Fitzwater said, "One of the most moving moments was during Yeltsin's first visit to the United States. At a dinner at the Soviet embassy he said 'Thank you Georgie Bush for being the first leader to stand behind me.'"

CNN's Frank Sesno was the head moderator of the debate and reflected on the days when people "saw the world through the prism of the Cold War" as he remarked.

One subject discussed was the current situation in Russia. The two agree that Russia is facing very difficult challenges as the twenty-first century approaches. Gerasimov commented on how the new found freedoms are affecting the people of Russia and the other former Soviet Republics.

He said, "Many of them are not ready to stand on their own feet, unfortunately, after 70 years of paternalistic rule." However, he also said, "I assure you Russia is going to stay a world power."

Gerasimov also spoke about the current problems facing Russian President Boris Yeltsin. Yeltsin's failing health has forced him to give up most of his power and many Russians are becoming increasingly impatient. However, Gerasimov explained the reasons Yeltsin may want to die while still in office.

He commented, "His time is done. He looks fragile. Yeltsin wants to die in office like many former leaders. He doesn't want to [step down]." If something happens to Yeltsin, Prime Minister Chirnomyrdin would be in charge for three months and then (there will be) new elections."

Frank Sesno steered the conversation towards the current relationship between the United States and Russia and why it is important and worthwhile for the United States to "make a case to public taxpayers that this relationship is special and people need to pay attention and respond." Both Gerasimov and Fitzwater had reasons why the United States should support Russia and the former Soviet Republics.

Gerasimov said "Russia has all resources possible, therefore, it is good for American business, for our economy, and politically, it is important."

Marlin Fitzwater listed four reasons why we should pay attention and respond. First, there is the remaining threat of Russia's nuclear weapons. Next, Russia is still part of the United Nations Security Council. It is important for the global economy and its interests in the Eastern block of trading and for world affairs. Lastly, Fitzwater explained that "China is the largest growing long term threat and the former Soviet Union represents an important ally."

Susan Eisenhower added that "Russia tried to form an important relationship with the space station."

The topic of U.S. aid to Russia also came up during the course of the debate. Gerasimov said that the United States has a responsibility to help Russia out in the same way a victor must help the vanquished. He compared it to the way Germany was treated at the end of each World War. At the end of the first war, they were severely punished and put down and the country was left in turmoil. After the second war, the allies built up Germany's economy in an attempt to leave the country in a more stable state for the future. Gerasimov thinks the United States

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News Digest

courtesy of USA today
compiled by Larry Carney

A California Superior Court jury decided to assess $25 million in punitive damages for the murders of Ronald Goldman and Nicole Brown Simpson. The verdict, which was reached on Monday, follows the $8.5 million in compensatory damages that were awarded last week. The verdict was not unanimous, with the only juror with black ancestry voting against awarding the punitive damages. The families of Goldman and Brown will split the award. Reportedly, Simpson will appeal the verdict, even though he claims millions of dollars in debt.

The Federal Aviation Administration has decided to add inspectors to American Airlines because of the anonymous threats against its pilots, who are looking to strike on Saturday. The decision came on the same day that final negotiations to avert a strike began in the nation's capital. The strike would shut down the third largest airline in the United States.

On Monday, President Bill Clinton began talks with the top ten lawmakers in the nation looking to devise a balanced budget agreement. The meeting was considered historic in light of last year's political backlash which caused a government shut-down. A meeting like this was considered impossible one year ago. Expectations for an agreement are high considering Clinton's State of the Union address, in which he proposed a five-year plan to balance the budget.

Anthropologists in Chile have discovered the oldest village in the Americas. Anthropologists believe that the village dates back 12,500 years and suggests that the start of human history might need to be rewritten. The site is located 10,000 miles south of the Bering land bridge. The site that was previously considered the oldest in the Americas was in Clovis, New Mexico, which dates back 11,200 years.

Westinghouse Electric, which owns Columbia Broadcasting Systems (CBS), plans to become a player in the country music and cable business. Westinghouse has offered Gaylord Entertainment $1.6 billion for The Nashville Network (TNN) and Country Music Television (CMT). The purchase allows CBS to rival the other two networks which have already invested in cable television.

Story Musgrave, a six-time space flier who helped mastermind the first Hubble Telescope repair in 1993, said he will leave NASA after being told he will never fly in space again. Musgrave, 61, said he would have jumped at the chance to fly again, but that he is content with NASA's decision.

A new subway etiquette campaign drew lots of cynicism on the platform below New York's Grand Central station. Passengers waiting to board subway trains are being told to stay clear of orange squares on the platform in front of each train door so passengers can quickly exit the train. If the campaign is successful, they will be brought to other major Manhattan stations. The campaign does have a motto, "Step Aside, Speed Your Ride."

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Campus Safety Notes

Benfer Fire Alarms and Letters of Trespass Dominate Report

2/4/97 - Fire Alarm - MacGregor - food on stove
2/4/97 - Injured student - Life Sports Center - elbow to lip
2/4/97 - Injured student - Life Sports Center - bloody nose
2/4/97 - Fire Alarm - Prosser - halogen lamp
2/6/97 - Theft - Life Sports Center - room key stolen - lock was immediately changed
2/6/97 - Report of Smoke - Seegers Union - fryer left on
2/6/97 - Theft - Seeger's Union - brown cylinder can
2/6/97 - Motor Vehicle Accident - Martin Luther lot
2/6/97 - Harassment by Communications - Prosser - telephone caller referred to an electronic mail message
2/7/97 - Disorderly Conduct - SPE parking lot - two non-students issued letters of trespass
2/7/97 - Injured Student - Walz - head laceration
2/8/97 - Information - Millerhiem - harassment
2/8/97 - Disorderly Conduct - Hillside/SPE - eleven individuals who claimed to be from the University of Virginia were trespassing - All eleven were served letters of trespass. The case is being followed up legally and Muhlenberg Campus Safety is in contact with the University of Virginia campus safety.
2/8/97 - Alcohol Violation - Benfer
2/8/97 - Motor Vehicle Accident - Chew Street and Prosser Drive - Campus Safety's Chevy Blazer was struck by a car during the snow storm.
2/9/97 - Fire Alarm - Benfer - There were two code violations found. 1. Smoking in a non-smoking area. 2. Animal found.
2/9/97 - Alcohol Violation - Benfer - Violation was discovered during fire alarm.
2/9/97 - Assist other Agency - Liberty Street - Noise complaint
2/9/97 - Vandalism - Seegers Union (upper level) - The thermostat in Men's Room was torn off the wall. Also, hand soap was poured on the floor and toilet paper rolls were flushed down the toilets.
2/10/97 - Medical Transport - Prosser - sick student
2/10/97 - Theft - Center for the Arts lot - Nose bra stolen from a car.

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Noteworthy moderators grill Gerasimov and Fitzwater

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must help create more stability in the Russian economy.

However, Fitzwater explained why direct aid to Russia is so difficult. The United States just does not have the money to give up right now. America has its own problems, is facing a huge deficit, and is more geared to look inward at the current time.

The students and faculty present all greatly enjoyed the debate. Sophomore D'Arcy O'Connor was very vocal about his satisfaction. He thought it "was easy to understand, and it was based around a very interesting event in history." He went on to say that the debate "will probably be the most important event of my four years at Muhlenberg."

Junior Taisa Scors, a Russian studies major said "it was nice to see two such dignified people. I thought that the most interesting part about the debate was when a moderator asked if Yeltsin should step down and Gerasimov said yes. This had more to do with present issues and who is going to take over if Yeltsin resigns. I like current issues because so many things have changed since the Cold War."

Gennadi Gerasimov was the chief spokesman for Soviet President Mikail Gorbachev during the late 1980s. Before accepting the position as spokesman, Gerasimov worked for many years in New York as a correspondent for several Russian publications. He has also written several books and has won many journalistic awards. In 1990, he was the first non-American to win the "Communicator of the Year" award given by the National Association of Governmental Communicators.

Gerasimov earned an undergraduate degree in international relations from the Moscow Institute of International Relations, and a degree in international law from Moscow State University.

After ending his three decade long career in journalism, he was appointed Ambassador to Lisbon by Gorbachev and later by Yeltsin. He then worked briefly as the chief liaison officer at the Russian-American press center in Moscow. In 1993, Gerasimov moved to the United States and is now working as a professor at Muhlenberg College.

From 1983 to 1992, Marlin Fitzwater served as press secretary to Presidents Reagan and Bush; going down in history as the only press secretary to be appointed by two presidents. Today, he is an author and lecturer whose presidential anecdotes, political analysis and television commentary have received world-wide attention.

Fitzwater has been a businessman, journalist, and civil servant having started his career as the editor of a weekly newspaper.

Moderators (from left to right) Martin Walker, Frank Sesno and Susan Eisenhower look on as Gerasimov responds to a question.

From 1972-1980, he was spokesman for the Environmental Protection Agency.

In the late 1980s he invited his Soviet counterparts to join press briefings during the arms control summits in order to demonstrate a shared commitment to peace. He served in the U.S. Air Force and graduated from Kansas State University in 1965.

He was named one of the Outstanding Civil Servants in government in 1980 and, among numerous other honors, received the Presidential Citizens Medal from President Bush in 1992.

Each of the three moderators was specifically chosen for their vast knowledge of this subject matter. The three moderators were Frank Sesno, Martin Walker, and Susan Eisenhower.

Frank Sesno is currently the vice president and bureau chief of CNN's Washington, DC bureau. He also hosts a Sunday talk show on CNN called Late Edition with Frank Sesno and anchors Inside Politics Extra, a daily morning political update. Before that, Sesno hosted The World Today and The International Hour for CNN. Sesno has also worked as a White House correspondent, worked for AP radio, and was the director of WCFR Radio in Springfield, VT.

Sesno serves on the Board of Trustees of Middlebury College and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. He graduated from Middlebury College with a degree in American History.

Martin Walker is currently the US Bureau chief for Britain's The Guardian. He is also a contributing editor of the Los Angeles Times, EUROPE Magazine, and an associate editor of the Russian-U.S. quarterly, Demokratizatsiya. He is also a commentator for CNN, the BBC, CBC, Australian TV, and Radio France Internationale. Walker writes for the New Yorker, The Atlantic Monthly, The New Republic, The Moscow Times, Germany's Die Zeit, and Madrid's El Mundo. He writes book reviews and has authored six books. Walker was educated at Balliol College in Oxford where he was a Brackenbury Scholar and at Harvard University where he was a Harkness Fellow.

The final panelist, Susan Eisenhower, is the President of The Eisenhower Group, Inc., a Washington-based international consulting firm focused on political, trade, and investment analysis and marketing communications.

Before founding The Eisenhower Group in 1985, she served on the senior staff in the Washington office of Burson-Marsteller. In addition, Ms. Eisenhower also worked in advertising and public relations after studying at American University in Paris.

In addition to her focus on the corporate community, Ms. Eisenhower founded and chairs The Center for Post-Soviet Studies, a non-profit institute established to increase Western understanding of events in the former Soviet Union, and to encourage forward-looking policy towards the region. She also spent two years from 1986-1988 as the President of the Dwight D. Eisenhower World Affairs Institute.

In addition to her professional work, Ms. Eisenhower has served on many charitable and institutional boards over the years, including two corporate boards. She was also a Trustee of Eisenhower College, The Rochester Institute of Technology and Gettysburg College. She received an honorary doctorate from Wilson College in 1989 for her work in the Soviet Union. She also received an honorary degree from Shephard College in 1995.

Currently, she sits on the board of the Eisenhower Exchange Fellowships, the Eurasia Foundation, Arms Control Association, The Atlantic Council and The Center for Historic Houses of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Ms. Eisenhower is married to an eminent Russian space scientist, Roald Sagdeev. They maintain homes in Washington and Moscow. She has written two books of her own and edited her husband's memoirs.

Sig Ep wins awards at convention

Last weekend, five brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon attended the Carlson Leadership Academy. The Academy, which is sponsored by the Educational Society of Sigma Phi Epsilon, was held in Richmond, Virginia. The five brothers, Brett Coplin, Matt Steinhilber, Jeff Shapiro, Larry Carney and Tom Power, attended seminars concerning fraternity matters.

While at the conference, the Muhlenberg chapter earned two awards. The first award received by the chapter was the Manpower Award, which is awarded to chapters that have had constant years of growth. This is the fourth year out of the past five that the Muhlenberg chapter has won the award.

The second award was the Excellence in Academics Cup. It is awarded to chapters that excel in academics among Greeks on campus. Only seventeen of the forty-seven chapters that attended the conference won this award.

Sigma Phi Epsilon proved to be an active contributor to the Muhlenberg campus and community by attaining these awards. It was a chance for the brothers to receive recognition for their hard work and dedication to excellence.

Attention Juniors

On Monday, elections were held for a new President for the class of 1998. None of the candidates received a majority of the total votes cast and therefore, a runoff has become necessary. Therefore, all juniors will once again have the opportunity to vote for a new class president. The runoff is between Sarah Miner and Mark Urban, the top two vote getters. All juniors are encouraged to come vote in the Union today.

Dante's Peak erupts on screen

Dante's Peak *(PG-13)* ★★★
Universal Pictures
Review by
Brian Teta and Dave Zielinski

It's a trend that started in theaters with last summer's runaway hits *Twister* and *Independence Day* and has extended even over to the television screen with next week's *Asteroid*. I'm talking of course about the current revival of 50's disaster films.

Whether it is a towering inferno, a doomed airliner, or an alien invasion these type of movies all follow the same formula. They generally all have large casts with a few expendable members, (half the fun is figuring out who is going to die), bad attempts at dramatic acting, and breathtaking special effects.

Generally the actors in these films play second fiddle to the effects themselves and **Dante's Peak** is no exception. Still Pierce Brosnan seems to know his place in the film and has some fun with his role as Harry Dalton, a volcano expert that sees the impending disaster, but can't convince anyone else of the danger.

The film begins slowly, showing Mayor Rachel Wando (Linda Hamilton) accepting an award naming her picturesque town of Dante's Peak as America's second nicest place to live, never minding that it rests at the bottom of a dormant volcano...

Things stay pretty quite for the first hour as Brosnan's Dalton splits his time between convincing his politically minded boss of the danger and courting Rachel and her two children.

Then the action starts to quite literally erupts onto the screen. Audience members get to watch Brosnan and Co. evade all types of volcano induced disasters from earthquakes, to fires, to floods, to lakes of acids, and of course a whole lot of lava.

The action never slows down once it finally gets started, and many of the sequences are particularly inspired and original.

The large cast means some of the characters don't make it to the end of the film (try not to get too attached to those not likely to survive) and this provides some genuine emotional content that most contemporary action films lack.

While much of the film is derivative, (Brosnan trying to convince the town of the danger is extremely reminiscent of *Jaws* as are the films first two casualties) *Dante's Peak* manages to keep the audience on the edge of their seat for the better part of an hour.

Hollywood has a slew of similarly themed movies on its slate, (*Volcano, The Flood*, and a remake of *Earthquake* to name a few) and while I am a bit wary of *too* many "nature is the enemy" films, if they are all the caliber of Dante' Peak then there are much worse ways to spend 2 hours.

Movies at Lehigh Valley Mall

Friday and Saturday Night

Star Wars: 7:30, 9:20, 10:10

Fools Rush In: 7:00, 9:30

Dante's Peak: 7:10, 9:10, 9:50

Vegas Vacation: 7:15 9:40

Mother: 7:40, 10:00

The Relic: 10:00

The English and Patient: 6:50

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON CAMPUS?

Thursday, February 13

7 pm - Women's Basketball vs Brynmawr

Friday, February 14

Valentine's Day

5 pm - Hillel Shabbat Dinner

5:30 pm - MAC Movie: 'When Harry ' Met Sally' - RDC

9 pm - MAC Presents Dave Binder
All Request Valentine's Day Show - RDC

Saturday, February 15

1 & 3 pm - Men's Basketball vs Haverford

4 pm - MAC Movie: 'Sleepless in Seattle' - RDC

8 - 12 pm - 80's Night RDC

11 pm- 2 am - BSA DJ - Underground

Sunday, February 16

4pm - Music/ Dance Concert: Karen Carlson - Chapel

5 pm - MAC Movie: 'When Harry Met Sally' - RDC

Monday, February 17

President's Day

FOLLOW WEDNESDAY CLASS SCHEDULE

5:30 pm - MCL Movie: 'The Josephine Baker Story' - RDC

Tuesday, February 18

7 pm - Multi-Cultural Life Speaker - Recital Hall

Wednesday, February 19

Discourse Day - NO DAY CLASSES

6 & 8 pm - Men's Basketball vs Swarthmore

8 pm - MTA Performance: 'Peer Gynt' - Empie Theater

RDC - RED DOOR CAFE

Fox's Spelling soaps keep going and going....

Switching Channels
by Brian Teta

It's hard to believe it's been *seven years* since Beverly Hills 90210 premiered. Brenda, Dylan, Andrea, Jim and Cindy Walsh, and of course Scott are all long gone.

Gone to are the hollowed halls of good old West Beverly High School.

In fact what was once a show about a Minnesota family transplanted into Beverly Hills has now become almost unrecognizable.

Not that that is such a bad thing.

Socially relevant subject matter has been all but tossed out the window. There are no lessons to be learned from the new *Beverly Hills. 90210* now resembles the TV movies-of-the-week that it's female cast members are always starring in.

Plot lines like Donna (Tori Spelling) being held hostage by her stalker or Valerie's (Tiffani-Amber-Theissen) affair and supposed pregnancy from a married man stretch the envelope of believability a bit but at least keep things interesting and make viewing 90210 the guilty pleasure it used to be.

Believability has never been a concern on *Melrose Place.*

Melrose too is in the middle of a return to grace.

After going *way* over the edge a few years ago, Melrose has reigned in its bizarre plots and cut down on the odd couplings. (Both Jake and Amanda have slept with *every* long-term resident of the apartment.)

New character have added spice to the cast and the old favorites have kept things interesting with new plotlines. With the ratings still going strong it looks like neither show will be ending anytime soon.

We got such a good response last time, we decided to run some more drinking games. So by popular demand....

MELROSE PLACE DRINKING GAME

TALYOR & AMANDA fight - 1 drink (if it's over PETER - 2)
ALISON gives that fishy, bug-eyed look - 1 drink
BILLY wears a horrible tie (party vote) - 2 drinks
BILLY looks dumbfounded - 1 drink
JAKE flees the scene - 1 drink
SYDNEY has on a ridiculous outfit (party vote) - 1 drink
SYDNEY gives a dirty look - 1 drink (2 if it's to SYDNEY)
ALISON whines - 1 drink (whines about baby - 2 drinks)
SAMANTHA mentions her "art career" - 1 drink
KIMBERLY without her wig - 2 drinks
KIMBERLY threatens someone - 1 drink
extreme close-up of KIMBERLY'S face - 1 drink (2 if you're really shaken by it)
MATT - 1 drink for every line
MATT is used in a gay context - 1 drink
MICHAEL & KIMBERLY use medical lingo - 2 drinks
Any mention of **D&D,** corporate executives, meetings, or clients - 1 drink
Cheesy Music - 1 drink
Pool action - 1 drink
An **old character** comes back - 2 drinks
Someone does something out of character - 1 drink
A bra strap shows - 1 drink
A major character dies or is supposed to be dead - 2 drinks (minor character- 1 drink)
SEX - 2 drinks
Laughter is generated by actual humor - 3 drinks to the person who laughed
Profanity - 1 drink per word (2 if uttered by Amanda)

BEVERLY HILLS 90210 DRINKING GAME

Intro music - 2 drinks (1 for the guitar, 1 = for the drum machine)
Firm male handshake - 1 drink
"Hey Bro" - 1 drink (2 if it's BRANDON)
WALSH PARENTS are shown - 1 drink
VALERIE is in scanty clothing while **BRANDON** is there - 1 drink
Midriffs - 1 drink
STEVE hits on a girl - 1 drink (His car involved in any way - 2 drinks)
Reference to **BRENDA** - 1 drink
Pensive looks - 1 drink
Sympathy hugs - 1 drink
CLAIRE has tiny plastic barrettes in her hair - 1 drink
CLAIRE looks too alternative for her own good (party vote) - 1 drink
VALERIE wears an unflattering outfit (party vote) - 1 drink
Substance abuse by **VALERIE** - 2 drinks
DAVID looks like a badass (party vote) - 1 drink
DONNA whines - 1 drink
KELLY gives a "Nobody understands how hard it is to be me" look - 1 drink
DONNA'S eyes fill with tears - 1 drink (2 if she cries, 3 if she runs from the room)
Reference to West Beverly Days of Yore - 1 drink
Any mention of: Megaburger, Raves, or the Peach Pit- 1 drink
A breakup - 2 drinks
Annoying College Lingo - 1 drink
Someone does "The right thing" - 1 drink
A death - 3 drinks
Old character returns - 1 drink
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Consult the Mule.....Your Weekly Horoscope

by Jen Zwirn and Sherry Fazio

Aries (March 21 - April 19)
Looking for love, Aries? Well good luck - you're gonna need it. Perhaps you think you've run into something big recently but we think you ought to step back and consider your actions. Things aren't always what they seem to be. Everything may be coming up roses right now but honestly you're probably only seeing what you want to see. Something new isn't going to cover your old problems. You know, Aries, Valentine's Day comes but once a year, it shouldn't take a day to make you realize who means most to you.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
Okay so you've been a little impulsive lately. Well, Taurus, it's time to take a step back and just let some things happen this Valentine's Day. You know that you've got a lot to offer someone and the ones who have got their eyes on you already know this too! So why do you find it necessary to actually help the process along? You're only hurting yourself! Sit back, enjoy the day, and keep in mind that doing things spur of the moment aren't always the way to someone's heart.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21)
Okay, so you've been giving a lot more than you've been receiving recently. Well, you know what...it's Valentine's Day...a time for you to be pampered. You've been generous long enough. Start considering the fact that you deserve a lot of attention. So why aren't you getting it? Perhaps, you ought to be a bit more selfish from time to time. It's wonderful that you are a giving, caring Gemini, but there's a point when enough is enough. It's about time you think of yourself and make sure others do the same.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22)
So you've been on the prowl lately, huh?! Cancer come down, take a deep breath, and relax. The world is not out to get you. It's Valentine's Day!! How about taking advantage of this special day to rekindle your fizzled relationships?! Don't freak out on us, but maybe you really should use this holiday as your way of opening new doors or perhaps the ones that you slammed last week!! Cancer, you may try and pretend that you're allergic to hearts and roses, but people aren't giving up on you, so please don't give up on them.

Leo (July 23 - August 22)
So you want to do something special for someone, do you? Well, don't you think now's your chance? You know that although it's never too late to tell someone how much they mean to you, you don't have to wait until Valentine's Day to share your feelings. However, these are the days of Cupid and love is in the air, so make this a memorable time for your someone special. You live in the here and now - take advantage of the good things you do have while you have them.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22)
After all this time and finally a smiling face on this happy holiday!! Enjoy yourself, Virgo, smell your roses, eat your chocolate, and read your Valentines! Spend time with your special someone and show them just how much you really care because they could always use a few extra hugs, you know. Or if you haven't yet found your Mr./Mrs. Right, then step back and enjoy all your wonderful friends. . .few have as many as you do, Virgo. Remember, too, that your happy - go - lucky disposition can make any day feel like Valentine's Day so remember that Saturday morning.

Libra(September 23 - October 23)
OK, Libra, here we go. . .you're in for quite a treat this Valentine's Day! Whether you'll be busy with that someone special or hanging out with a group of friends, there's a big surprise coming your way! Remember all of those Valentine's Days that never meant anything to you?! Well, this will be one you'll never forget. However, don't be too assuming - gifts aren't all they're cracked up to be. Instead, how about enjoying all the intangible things you have been blessed with such as those nearest and dearest to you.

Scorpio (October 24 - November 22)
Well, Scorpio, it seems that you can't really win regardless of what you try. It's good that you can admit when you're wrong and even better that you are big enough of a person to make the attempt to reconcile your mistakes. However, maybe you just need to let time heal the ones you've wounded. So spend your Valentine's Day enjoying the people you do have in your life and looking at the happy things rather than looking for more ways to solve your problems.

Sagittarius (November 23 - December 21)
Come on, Sag, it's almost Valentine's Day, but you seem to be uneasy about showing your new feelings. You've been considering a big decision lately, huh? Why haven't you done anything about it yet? Perhaps you're scared of the actual outcome, but right now should be a time of smiles and kisses and it's obvious you're not getting either. It's Valentine's Day! However, putting things off won't make them disappear. So, think hard and make your big decision wisely.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19)
Well, Cap, you'd better ready yourself for anything this Valentine's Day! The past few Valentine's Days have been no great shakes, but this one is going to be the most magical ever! You might also want to consider that special someone you've been eyeing all semester long...why not do something for that person while you're at it? You know, Cap, this is the perfect time for secret admirers to reveal their identities. . .so what are you waiting for?! Pick yourself up, take a deep breath, and walk over to that special person. . .you never know where it could lead!

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18)
Feeling sort of clueless lately? Well we're here to fill you in - it's almost Valentine's Day! This is the holiday with the candy hearts, chocolate, roses, guys, girls, and friends, too. You've been a bit out of it lately for some reason but perhaps it's because you've once again been buried in your books. So now you have a great excuse to put your calculator away - it's a national holiday! Go out - have a good time - enjoy yourself. Have no fear, though, the library will be open the day after all your fun, too!!

Pisces (February 19 - March 20)
Well, well, well - something new and exciting has come your way and just in time for Valentine's Day! How exciting that this special person is planning to surprise you! You know how all of your friends have been telling you that you're glowing? Geez, you could probably light up a room with that glow! Don't forget, however, that you ought to enjoy all you have right now. Live for the moment and don't worry about the future. Just enjoy your time with that special someone on this Valentine's Day!

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'No Time' comedy group makes stupidity an art form

by Ellen Gerber
Weekly Magazine Writer

The evening began with technical difficulties, a broken guitar string, frozen bologna and ended with a human peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

No you are not on a bad acid trip but maybe they were.

They being "No Time," the outrageous comedy group who performed in the Red Door on Saturday night, February eighth.

Robert D. Cohen, Chas Mastin and Billy Portman make up No Time and met in college at George Wahington University, where they starting doing comedy shows. Soon though, they were performing every weekend, and all shows were sold out.

That's when they decided to take their show to NY, and from there, all around the U.S.

Right now, the threesome are on a college tour throughout the east coast and a few of those states right in the middle.

They love the college audiences, and all three agreed that the Muhlenberg "audience was incredibly active."

The group gets the audience involved by asking for volunteers to help them act out various skits.

Freshman Courtnay Griswold volunteered to help the guys out in a skit, by flirting with Rob.

She did such a great job, for while many other volunteers all over the country had played the same role, "She," according to Billy, "was the only one who ever made him horny."

Courtnay loved participating and thought, "[No Time] was great. A little raunchy, but funny."

Freshman Ruben Ortiz who had the advantage of participating in the human chess game was grateful for the "unexpected fun", and remarked that "it was cool to be crazy for a little while."

Other skits included a song entitled the "Gap Song" which was about stalking women at the GAP and a poem entitled "My Bong," the content being pretty self-explanatory.

According to Chas, a lot of [the skits] are improv" which explains why their documentarist Marc Grant jumped up on stage with Chas to assist in making a human peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Grant, who previously had never participated in the show, joined the threesome just a month ago.

Grant follows the group from show to show and films their work (A generous verb for what they do).

Documenting the No Time tour is Grant's immediate plan, but in the future, according to Grant, his documentary would "ideally" appear " in the theatre." Muhlenberg students would no doubt be in favor of a motion picture about these guys.

Freshman Tony Grinage felt that although "The show got off to a slow start with the frozen bologna, once the bologna thawed, everything was fine and dandy. The comedy was chock-full of funny goodness."

Numerous students were especially fond of the many drug references which the threesome made. No Time actually acknowledged the fact that their comedy is brought to the public thanks to 600 bong hits a year.

Freshman Ian Alderman, however, "Finds it hard to believe that such crazy comedy was **only** brought to [the Muhlenberg community] by 600 bong hits a year."Some Muhlenberg students were a little taken a back by the groups outrageous humor, but had a great time nonetheless.

Freshman Marisa Cox felt that "It was definitely original. It was fun." Freshman Samuel Stein commented, "Some of their stuff was pretty funny, but my blood alcohol level wasn't high enough to ignore my inhibitions."

Not only did No Time have a rad routine, they also sold some great stuff at the end of the show.

The "No Time gift shop" offered great T-shirts, videos, No Time bong stickers and copies of the first issue of their newsletter entitled "sandwich." The gang also has a web site. Visit them "for the freakiest experience you've ever had on the web" at www.notime.org.

No Time took comedy to the extremes and proved that acting stupid and silly is in fact an art.

And if acting stupid and silly, especially on a Saturday night, can be considered an art, there is some hope for Muhlenberg students.

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An Outside Perspective

by Mark A. Koup

After over a year since the not guilty verdict in his criminal trial, the jury in the O.J. Simpson civil case found him liable in the deaths of his ex-wife Nicole Brown and her friend Ronald Goldman. On Monday, the jury slapped Simpson with $25 million in punitive damages on top of the $8.5 million already awarded in compensatory damages. I think it is fair to say that justice has finally been served.

I told my roommate that I would change my career path and go into law if Simpson was found not liable in the civil law suit. I still wonder why he was acquitted in the criminal case. I just can't see how a jury of twelve people could come to a conclusion that O.J. Simpson wasn't the killer of Nicole and Ron.

I found myself rooting for the families of the murder victims. I can't imagine how it must feel to know the killer of a loved one is not only free, but not punished at all for killing a member of my family. The exultation shown by Fred Goldman was richly deserved. The man had been suffering since the criminal verdict was announced. At long last, he can rest knowing Simpson will finally be held accountable for the crimes he committed.

Geraldo Rivera, who has been accused of beating a dead horse into the ground in regards to his coverage of the O.J. Simpson saga, has said the entire ordeal has lasted as long as the Kennedy presidency. Rivera was an outspoken opponent of the verdict in the criminal case, and dedicated most of his "Rivera Live" program to coverage of the civil proceedings. He too joined in the exuberance displayed by the victims' families, and has vowed to try to help bridge the racial divisions this case has shown exist in our country.

In my opinion, the evidence in this case was finally considered by a jury. It is truly amazing how once the theatrics and smoke screens are removed from a trial, the evidence has so much more meaning. The jurors had the opportunity to hear Simpson testify, and they did not believe him. They came to the right decision.

The saga is finally over. Barring appeal or other drastic action by Simpson, he will be $33.5 million poorer. Perhaps the only way to convince O.J. that he is not above the law is to hit him in the wallet. Maybe now he will feel some remorse. I wouldn't bet on that, though.

I think Juror #11 best summed up the case. She said on Monday "Finding O.J. Simpson liable in these murders was one of the easiest decisions of my life." She then excused herself, saying she wanted to go home. She can rest assured she made the right decision.

The World According to Me by Josh Northridge

I've got a complaint. It's not the line at the GQ when the Garden Room is serving "Pita and Sprout Casserole." It's not the fact that one of my professors is so uptight that he blows a gasket any time someone drops their pencil. My complaint is the lack of spaceships on campus. Just the other day I was watching The Jetsons and it just seems like it would be easier to get to class if we each had a spaceship. Of course, we would have to have some type of education for the students, probably part of freshman orientation. You know, meet the R.A., buy books, then learn to fly the ship. Of course, if you ran the spaceship into Seeger's Union it would be the biggest part fo your damage bill: Writing on the wall....$1.50, Broken light....$3.50, Crashed rocketship.... $492,000. I guess another bad thing about having the spaceship would be the nuclear power that it takes to run the thing. Probably late one Saturday night some drunk guy will be out there trying to fuel his spaceship and drop the nuclear stuff on the grass. It would kill the grass, then we would have to order some new grass, and no one wants to do that. I guess we really shouldn't have spaceships here at Muhlenberg. This place is great even without spaceships.

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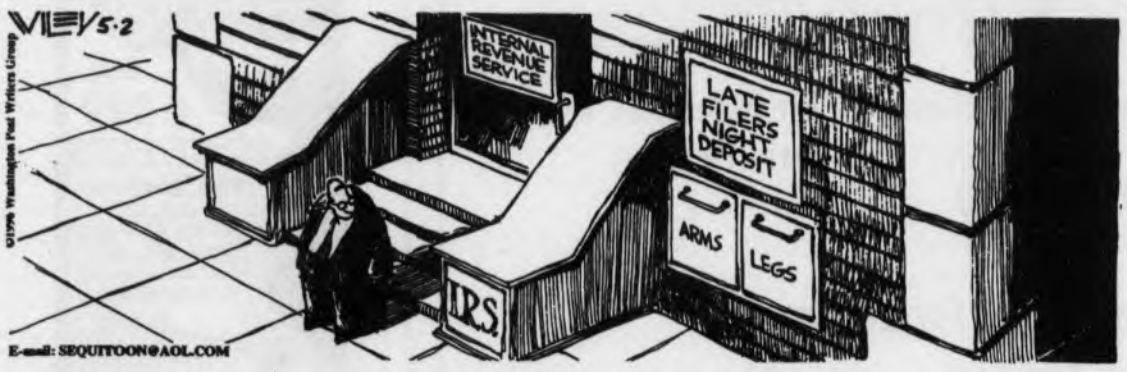

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Wacky, Strange, and Stupid Sports of the World

by C.J. Lenat
Sports Editor
D'Arcy O'Connor
***Weekly* Sports Writer**

From now on, for your reading pleasure, we will highlight and showcase a different sport of the world each week.

But we won't tell you about sports that you already know about, we'll increase your worldly knowledge by educating you in the origins and rules of various strange, stupid, and wacky sports of the world. If we offend any players or fans of these strange sports, we appologize in advance.

This week we decided to start off this weekly feature with a sport that we thought was strange and wacky, but above all, stupid: Danball.

To all of you unsuspecting victims, a new sport is catching the south by storm.

It's Danball, a game that seems to be played for the prize of pizza and beer.

There is already a Danball league and if you want to join, then pack your bags, because you're moving to Virginia.

What is this enigma they call Danball? Well it's a game that was created by some guys in Virginia in 1992 when they were drinking beer, eating pizza, and playing Dungeons and Dragons.

They went to the garage, found some stuff, made up a game, and named it after the pizza delivery guy, Dan.

How do you play Danball? Well, now here's where we get down to the nooks and crannies of the game. There are two teams and they have three or more players, but only three players from either side may play at one time.

Danball is played with a cheap, hopefully warped, plastic ball about the size of a volleyball and some oars.

To our understanding, Danball combines rowing , soccer, and volleyball, with just a touch of baseball.

The playing field is 100 feet long and set up on any dimly lit street without much traffic. The object of the game is to hit the Danball across the opposing team's goal line using the wooden oars, called Dansticks. One point is awarded for every "goal" scored.

Players are not allowed to use their hands or feet to move the Danball, only the Dansticks. Play continues until either it gets too dark to play, or the players are too inebriated to continue.

Well, it makes sense to us. Thus we conclude the description of Danball and the first of our weekly features of *Wacky, Strange, and Stupid Sports of the World*. Till next week, happy Danballing!

On Deck at the 'Berg

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Saturday February 15 home vs. Haverford @ 1:00 & 3:00
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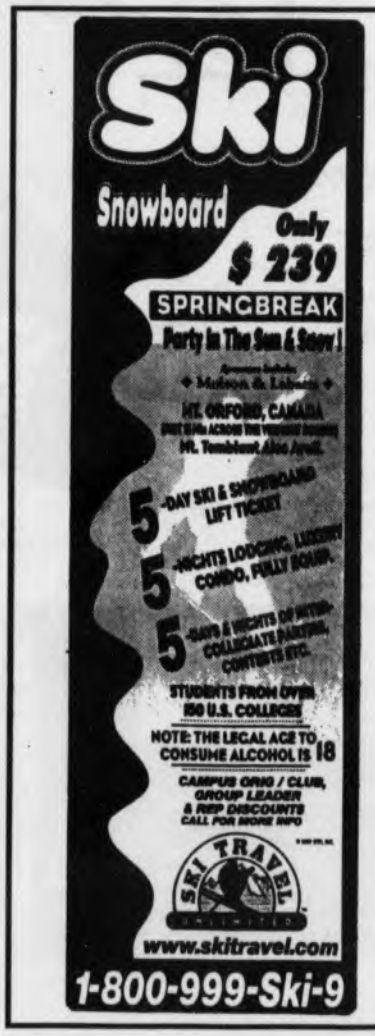
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Profile of a Mule: Coach Dan Albert

A weekly series highlighting prominent Muhlenberg sports figures

by Steve Faella
***Weekly* sports columnist**

The past two seasons, Muhlenberg baseball has had a permanent spot in the Centennial Conference basement. Last year, they established the school's worst record ever with a 3-24 mark; eclipsing the old mark of 7-25 that was set the previous year.

This past summer, John McLaughlin was hired as head baseball coach and defensive coordinator for the football team, ending the Vic James era. Knowing that he needed help, McLaughlin hired Dan Albert. This was the best decision a Muhlenberg baseball coach has made in the past few years.

In Albert, Muhlenberg received a young, motivated, and highly knowledgeable coach who has an understanding of the game second to none.

Albert grew up in Virginia, where he began to pick up the game at age 6. He attended Strasburg High School, where he starred as a shortstop and a pitcher.

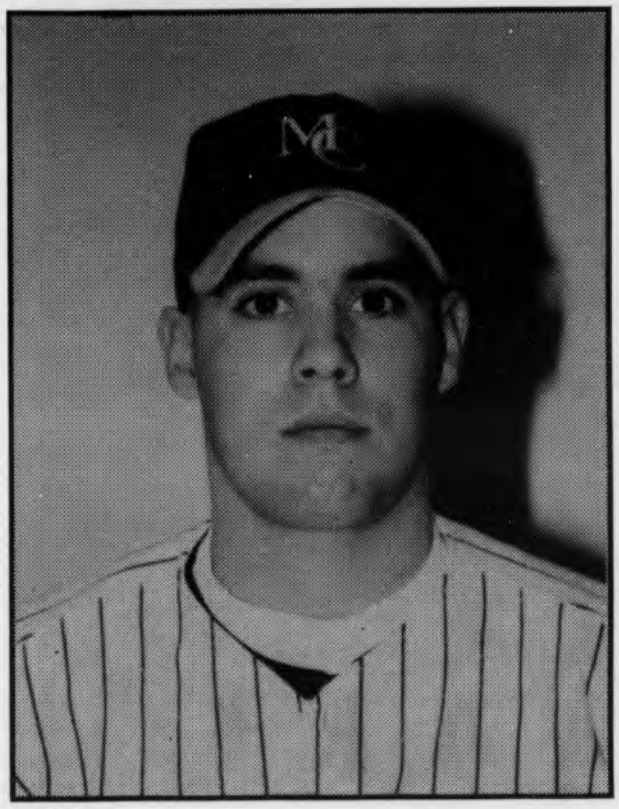
After being highly recruited by some top schools, he decided on Shenandoah University and the tough Dixie Conference. Here, he would face national powerhouses: UNC-Weslyan, Methodist, and Ferrum.

Although he was recruited as a shortstop, Albert won the starting job in right field as a freshman.

He would remain the starter there his entire career (he missed his junior year because of personal reasons). He also became a middle-relief pitcher his senior year.

Albert had already established himself as a winning coach prior to coming to Muhlenberg. In the spring of 1995, he was the Head Junior Varsity coach at Clarke County High School in Virginia.

Later that summer, he was an assistant coach for an American Legion team in Virginia. Finally, prior to getting hired by Muhlenberg, he led the Emmaus American Legion team to the Conference Tournament Championship this past summer.



Early in the fall, he was hired by McLaughlin. Albert came here because it gave him the opportunity to coach at the college level, which has been his goal for years.

"I had the opportunity to come in to a program that could only get better, and I have a good chance to make a difference," Albert said. "Also, I can get some good hands-on experience."

Albert expects that the team will improve from past years, and be competitive as well as being in the top half of our conference.

"I believe we can lay down a solid-foundation, and rebuild some tradition here," Albert said.

The road will not be easy however. With only 19 roster players, the team lacks depth, especially in the pitching department. Yet, Albert is not worried.

"We have kids here who work hard, accept the challenge, and understand what it takes to win."

The Mules will have to adapt to his philosophies in order to win. They will have to be aggressive on offense, meaning more bunting and stealing. Also, they need to play well on defense.

"Hitting sells tickets, but pitching and defense wins championships," Albert said. Manufacturing one run at a time will be the main strategy for Muhlenberg.

Obviously, McLaughlin respects what Albert can bring to the program, or else he would not have hired him. This respect goes both ways.

"Right away I learned that coach McLaughlin was the type of guy who is confident, dedicated, and committed." Albert said. "He is the type of guy that no matter what sport he was hired for, he could make it into a winner."

As the season grows nearer and nearer, the excitement is getting higher and higher. Being a player, I have not been this confident heading into the beginning of a season in all my years here.

The coaching staff has done a great job of getting the team ready for the season, and come March 3 the team get to prove how great of a job they have done.

National Sports Update

21 year old Tiger Woods was named PGA Tour Player of the Month for January. Woods won the first tournament of the year, a win which boosted his career earning over $1 million. Woods reached the $1 million mark faster than any other golfer in history.

Canadian Sonia Denoncourt became the first woman to referee in Brazillian professional soccer last week.

Future hockey hall-of-famer Wayne Gretzky is under attack for appearing in the March issue of *Cigar Afficionado* smoking cigars.

Boxer Oliver McCall passed his drug test after his bizarre fight last Friday against Lennox Lewis. McCall, the former champion, refused to defend himself, walked around the ring in a daze, and cried in his corner before the referee stopped the fight.

Michael Jordan had the first triple-double in NBA All-Star game history Saturday, leading the Eastern Conference to victory. Glenn Rice was named the Most Valuable Player. Rice scored an All-Star game record 23 points in the second half. Kobe Bryant won the slam dunk contest and Steve Kerr won the three-point shootout. Philadelphia 76er Allan Iverson was MVP of the rookie game.

Bill Parcells was cleared by the NFL to coach the New York Jets on Monday. In exchange for the rights to Parcells, the Jets sent the New England Patriots their third- and forth-round draft picks this year, a second-round pick in 1998, a first-round pick in 1999, and a $300,000 donation to a Patriots' charity. Parcell's contract is for $20 million for six years.

Michael Jordan and Amy Van Dyken were named male and female athletes of the year at ESPN's yearly ESPY

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Mules beat conference rival Ursinus 90-84

Mules go 1-1 on the week by losing to Washington College 66-42

by C.J. Lenat
Sports Editor

On February 5 the Muhlenberg men's basketball team took on conference rival Ursinus with the hopes of turning around a two game losing streak and to jump-start their dwindling playoff chances.

The Mules came through, posting their highest point total of the season, beating the Bears 90-84.

Michael Queenan led the Mules with a season high 23 points. Queenan is the Mule's leading scorer, pumping in almost 12 points per game.

Jeff Graham also had a great game, posting a career high 16 points in the win.

Overall, the Mules had five players break the double digit mark in scoring, with Mark Morrison throwing in 15 points and Matt Schneider and Rob Miller scoring 10 each.

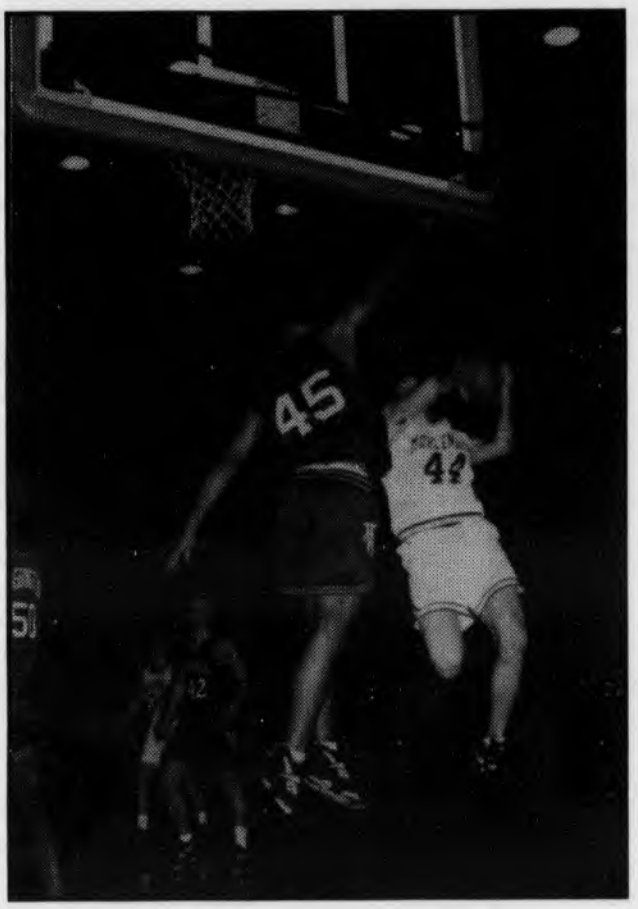
Matt Henrich, who had missed earlier games due to injury, showed why he is so valuable to the Mules by dishing out 10 assists, becoming the first Muhlenberg player to reach double figures in assists in a single game since 1981.

Sophomore Jim Doumato led the team with six rebounds. Doumato has led the team in rebouding in 16 out of the team's 20 games, averaging over eight boards per game.

One catagory in which Muhlenberg has struggled all season long is turnovers, but they turned that around last Wednesday, only giving the ball away six times compared to Ursinus' 10 givaways.

The win gave the Mules a 4-4 record in the Centennial Conference, but that record dropped to 4-5 Saturday when Muhlenberg traveled to Washington College and lost 42-66.

Coming off the season high 90 points against Ursinus, Muhlenberg could muster only 42 points, a season low.



Mark Morrison was the leading scorer for the Mules with seven points, and Jim Doumato led the team with five rebounds.

The Mules, who at one point in the game trailed by 25 points, just couldn't keep up with the first place Washington squad.

The lone bright spots for the Mules came when Pat Loftus and Kenyamo McFarlane scored their first career points.

As it stands right now, Muhlenberg, with a 4-5 record, are in third place in the Centennial Conference behind Washington (7-2) and Swarthmore (6-3). The top two teams advance to the post season.

The Mules have four inter-conference games left, and have a legitimate shot at the playoffs. The race for second place and a playoff bearth could come down to the game on Wednesday February 19 when the Mules play host to Swarthmore.

Mules look toward post season

An 8-2 conference record makes a playoff bearth seems likely

by Ben David
***Weekly* Sports Writer**

As of Tuesday, the women's basketball team was riding a much deserved three game winning streak.

The Mules in February have defeated Western Maryland (85-62), Ursinus (70-61) as well as Washington (Maryland) (58-47).

First year student Amy Sandt led the team in scoring at both Western Maryland and Washington.

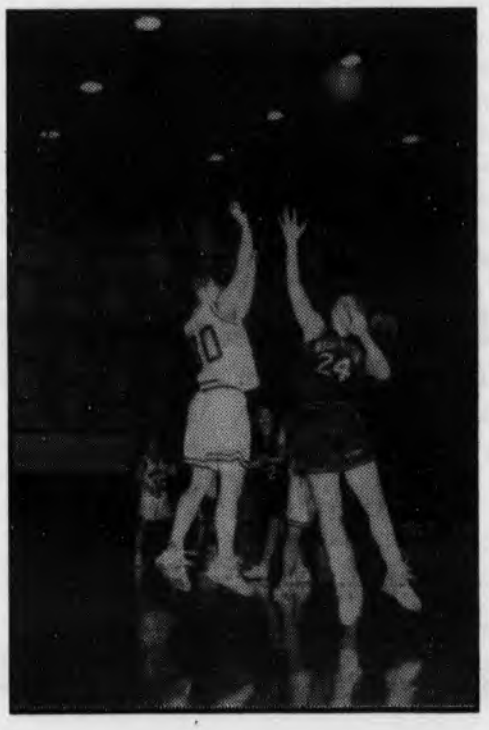
She has been a major contributor since season's start. This week, she was deservingly named to the Centennial Conference Weekly Honor Roll.

The Mules now hold an overall record of 11-6.

Within the conference, they boast an impressive 8-2 record. Because of that great inter-conference record, they seem to be headed in the right direction, if there ever was such a thing.

With only a handful of games remaining, these women surely appear to be playoff-bound. Things are just clicking, one might say.

Everyone is contributing. Seven different players have had games in which they have scored in double figures.



Likewise, six players have had games in which they have had at least ten rebounds. Like I said, a variety of players are contributing and their handsome record shows it.

As one fan said: "We all look forward to watching the team compete for the conference title."

Only time will tell, but things are certainly looking up.

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Dean Thiede to leave post after 18 years of service to Muhlenberg

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

After 18 years of service to the College, Dean Thiede will step down as the Dean of Campus Life to pursue career interests outside of Muhlenberg. Thiede has held a variety of positions on campus throughout the years and has proven himself an asset to the students.

Thiede came to Muhlenberg as an assistant Dean of Admissions and Freshmen which helped organize advising and orientation. In 1983, he was promoted to the position of Dean of Admissions. In 1989, he was appointed the Vice-president for Enrollment and Student Life. In that position, he was responsible for admissions, financial aid, and was the direct supervisor of the Dean of Students. When Taylor became the President, he reorganized the administration and appointed Thiede to the newly created position of Dean of Campus Life. He has also worked as the Director of Alumni Relations due to the number of people he knew.

He has been a part of many important decisions on campus in the past few years. Thiede worked with President Taylor on deferred pledging and helped develop a more responsive judicial process with the Dean of Students' office. He has continued his work with financial aid and admissions helping bring in quality classes. Thiede said he has also been a part of a senior staff which has moved many things around and changed the campus for the better.

Thiede said he will miss the people of Muhlenberg the most when he leaves his post. He said, "What I'm going to miss about Muhlenberg will be the people, the 18 classes I've been a part of. You can't leave a place after 18 years without feeling bad."

Speaking on behalf of himself and his wife, he added, "We really liked the students here at Muhlenberg and felt they were special people."

He continued, "I also have some very good colleagues in the faculty and administration. It's a good group of human beings and I will miss working with them."

photo by Alan Merenbloom

Dean Thiede will say good-bye to Muhlenberg in the coming weeks as he moves into the private sector as an educational consultant.

Despite feeling sad about leaving, Thiede believes he has left the school in the hands of people qualified to carry on his work.

He said, "I leave feeling very good about the professionals I've left in that area." These people include a new Athletics Director, Dean of Admissions, and Director of Financial Aid.

Thiede decided to leave now because he feels this may be one of a few chances left for him to move on in which he would not have to relocate his family from Allentown.

He said, "At this point in my career, there are few opportunities that will be afforded to me that will not uproot my family."

From here, Thiede moves into the world of Educational Consulting where he will provide advice to Colleges and Universities on enrollment issues. He will help create more efficient admissions offices and teach ways to increase retention and student satisfaction.

Thiede will be stressing Integrated Enrollment Management which "goes beyond normal enrollment and deals with creating an atmosphere on a college campus which students like and... will keep them involved as alumni."

He decided to take this job because it "provides me professional excitement and challenge. This is a good time for me to move on."

No replacement for Thiede has been named because some reorganization of the administration will be take place in the near future.

According to Thiede, "This will be a job whose responsibilities will be divvied up to other people."

Dean Thiede will remain in Allentown and plans to remain active in the College. He says we will all continue to see his face at sporting events and campus activities for some time to come.

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News Digest

courtesy of USA today
compiled by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

President Clinton Monday ordered an advisory commission to report in 90 days on the ramifications of cloning after an announcement Sunday that Scottish scientists had successfully replicated a sheep. The development, the first of its kind, raised the possibility of human cloning.

The Morning-after birth control pill was deemed safe and effective by the Food and Drug Administration. The unusual declaration, made without a drug company request, could make the already-legal method much more widespread. "The best kept contraceptive secret is no longer a secret," says FDA Commissioner David Kessler.

The term limits movement faced another setback Monday as the Supreme Court declined to review the Arkansas law that would have branded candidates who oppose term limits. The law, similar to statutes in eight other states, would put this notation on the ballot next to the names of candidates who did not support the effort: "Disregarded voter instruction on term limits." The ruling by the Arkansas Supreme Court barring the notation will stand.

The Empire State Building's observation deck reopens today with newly installed metal detectors as investigators sort through conflicting theories of why a gunman opened fire on the observation deck of the 66-year-old tourist attraction. Officials are questioning how Ali Hassan Abu Kamal, 69, could buy a gun in Florida after living in a motel for just three weeks.

Deng Xiaoping, China's patriarch, was memorialized Tuesday before 10,000 Communist Party loyalists in the Great Hall of the People. Jiang Zemin, Deng's successor and chief of the Communist Party, gave the eulogy.

News Corp. CEO Rupert Murdoch unveiled a plan Monday to jump-start his entry into the satellite TV broadcast business here: He will acquire half of the upstart service, EchoStar, and merge it with his planned American Sky Broadcasting. Murdoch and partner MCI will invest $1 billion in "cash, satellites, and other assets" in the company, which already beams a cable-like array of TV channels to more than 400,000 customers. Murdoch will become EchoStar's chairman and will control 40% of the company and MCI will control 10%. EchoStar's entrepreneurial chief, Charles Ergen, will remain CEO and control 35% of the voting shares.

So many people have been killed by air bags the past six months that the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is almost out of money to investigate the deaths - half way through the fiscal year.

NBC is receiving great praise for its airing oF Schindler's List this past Sunday night. The show, which was sponsored by Ford for $10 million, ran with no commercials for 3 1/2 hours. NBC could have normally made almost twice that amount during that block on Sunday night but decided to run the movie because of its historical and social importance. The movie was viewed by 34% of viewers at the time, the highest numbers for a movie since Jurassic Park was shown in 1995.

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Campus Safety Notes

Trespassers identified as Delta Tau Delta pledges

2/18/97 - Vandalism - Brown - glass shattered on south door. Glass was still intact. Campus Safety covered up window

2/20/97 - Trespass - CA West lot - 3 juveniles, returned back to school

2/20/97 - Unsecure Door - Hillside - propped door

2/21/97 - Noise Complaint - Delta Zeta House

2/21/97 - Harrassment by Communication - off campus - alumni receiving phone calls from Phone-A-Thon

2/22/97 - Fire Alarm - Prosser - second. No sign of smoke or fire

2/24/97 - Unsecured Property - Hillside

2/25/97 - Vehicle Violation - Front Drive

2/25/97 - Theft - Off Campus - Coat

Campus Safety Update: The 11 Trespassers reported in the previous Weekly, have been proven to be Delta Tau Delta pledges from the University of Virginia. The students sent a letter of appology for all wrong- doing to the Director of Campus Safety, Ken Lupole, and all officers involved.

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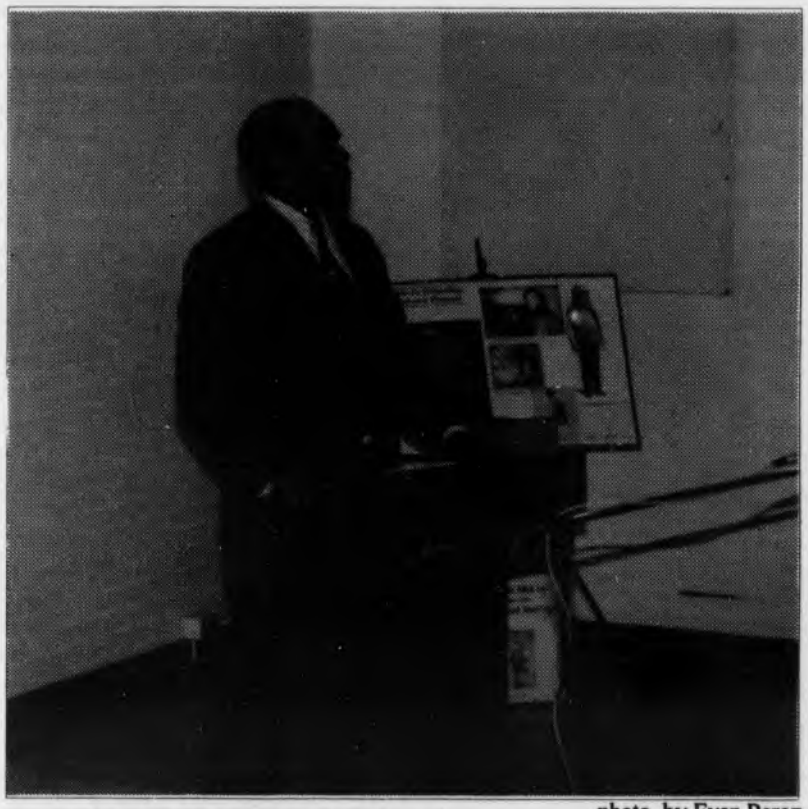

photo by Evan Berez

by Jenny Knotek
Assistant News Editor

Last Tuesday Byron Crudup spoke on "Blacks in Technology" in the Recital Hall. The event was sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Life. Crudup, born in Oakland, CA., is a civil engineer and obtained his masters' degree from Villanova University. He is a registered professional engineer in twelve states. Locally, he is a member of the Lehigh Valley's chapter of the National Society of Professional Engineers, and is director of the Project Excel, a student tutorial program in Allentown.

Crudup started by saying that because there are so many black contributors to technology, it was hard to edit out the slides he presented; all are important. Crudup also talked about the bell curve, and its effect on the contribution of blacks. Because it is enforced that blacks are not as competent as whites, they themselves believe that for some reason, they cannot excel in the sciences. Crudup says this is far from true.

Some of the blacks that Crudup highlighted are highly well-know, such as Banjamin Banneker (astronomer and editor of his famous almanac); George Washington Carver (discovered that switching crops of peanuts and cotton enriches the soil); and Jack Johnson (a boxer who patented the wrench).

Many others were not well known, or not at all, because others have taken credit for their work, such as Louis Ladderman, who perfected the filament of the lightbulb, for which Thomas Edison took much of the credit; and the blacks of Egypt, who constructed the pyramids.

Many other black inventors were highlighted, including Henry Blair (patented the seed plower); James Forton (perfect controls for sails of ships); Granville T. Woods, also known as the "Black Edison" (automatic air break). Coincidentally, Woods took Edison to court twice for patent infringement, and won both times. Also included in the discussion was J. E. Matzeliger (shoe lasting machine).

A few highlights in the program were quite interesting. The term "real McCoy" comes from Elijah McCoy's lubricating device for trains and machinery; there were imitations, but everyone wanted the "real McCoy." Another point of interest was Garrett Morgan, who changed his name to Big Chief Mason, hoping to sell more by covering his black heritage. He invented the first version of the gas mask. Lloyd Quaterman, a nuclear chemist, helped work together with Albert Einstein on the Manhattan Project.

Women also made important contributions. Henrietta Bradbury designed a torpedo launcher; Sarah Bredlowe (C.J.) Walker became a cosmetic and haircare tycoon. Presently, Christine Dardin is employed at NASA, working on supersonic transports.

Blacks were not allowed to have patents on inventions until 1900, when Henry Baker, a black patent office examiner in Washington, D.C., sent out a survey to all lawyers, asking how many blacks needed patents. Three thousand was the number who needed but could not receive them.

Crudup finished his presentation by saying that although many contributions have been made, many were lost because of bigotry and racism. "We are all one race, the human race," he said.

Crudup has a web page at this address: http://www.users.fast.net/~blc/xlhome2.htm or http://users.tnp.com/fwn/xlhome2.htm and can be emailed at the following addresses: crudupbl@ttown.apci.com, crudupbl@apci.com, and blc@fast.net

Sophomore class recaps great semester and plans for the future

Sophomores Jill Fornal and Betsy Anderson pose for a quick shot during the sophomore class ski trip held last Tuesday night.

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

The sophomore class council has been busy recently planning activities and holding fundraisers. Led by President Jamie Hollender, treasurer Jay Faigenbaum, and secretary Jill Fornal, the council is planning events through the end of the school year.

The most recent event was a ski trip which was co-sponsored by the freshman class. Over forty students travelled to Camelback for night skiing last Tuesday night. This was the second annual ski trip sponsored by the Class of 1999.

At the same time, the sophomore class officers organized a raffle. The raffle, which brought in close to $150, was won by Darrell Drason who received a $50 gift certificate to the Olive Garden.

Earlier this year, the sophomore class sold T-shirts with the theme "just do it." That fundraiser brought in $200. There are some shirts left and anyone interested in purchasing one should contact Jamie Hollender at x4886.

Plans are in motion for a long sleeve T-shirt. The shirt will be white with an M on the back which will be half maroon and half gray. Other plans for the future include another class-wide ice cream social in the Spring. Other fundraising ideas are also being discussed. Sophomores interested in helping with fundraisers or anyone with good ideas should contact any of the class officers.

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Muhlenberg hosts second annual Discourse Day

Morality in Work and the Moral Place of Work in Life examined

by Lauren Casa
News Editor
information courtesy of public relations

Muhlenberg continued its year-long examination of the Center for Ethics' theme, "A Working Life: Morality in Work and the Moral Place of Work in life," last Wednesday. The campus community replaced standard classes with a day full of events during the College's Second Annual Discourse Day.

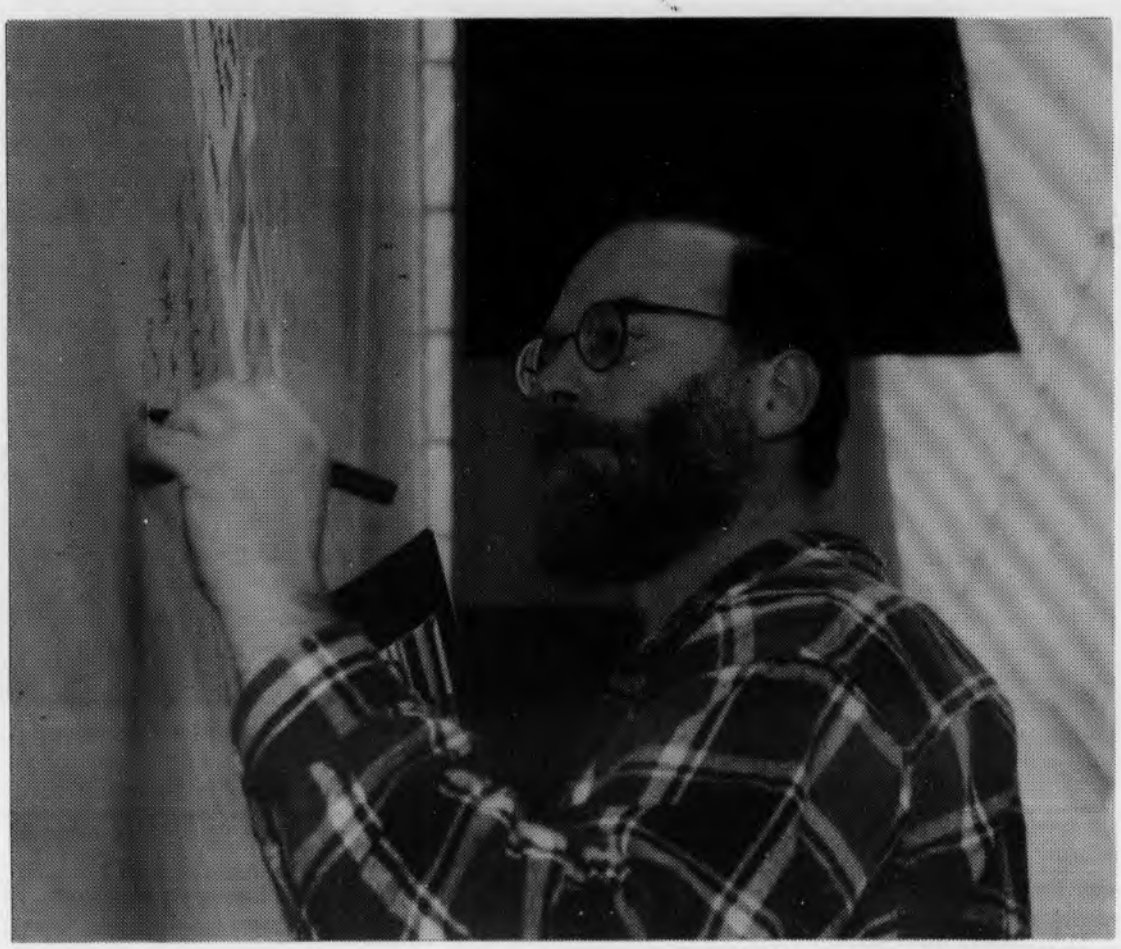
Campus Discourse Day included informative workshops led by professors, experts and students on topics related to this year's Center for Ethics' theme.

This year's keynote speaker was Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin. He discussed the connection between work and spirituality. During the afternoon, a special session titled "Reading the Discourse Wall" reviewed and discussed the thoughts, ideas and suggestions written on the Discourse Wall during the course of the day. The College will retain the comments on the "Discourse Wall" to reintroduce annually.

At 4 p.m., participants enjoyed the comic explorations of the world of work with skits by Co-motion, moderated by Dr. Grant Scott. There was also a Talk-Back session with the *Peer Gynt* cast, director Jim Peck and Marilyn Roberts.

Discourse Day was organized by Dr. Christine Sistare, Associate Professor of Philosophy and the Director of Muhlenberg's Center for Ethics. There were 12 session topics including, Sex & Gender at Work; The [Over]Work Ethic; Knowledge & Responsibility; If You're So Smart, Why Aren't You Rich?; What's the Business of Business?; Life, Death, & Money: Issues in Biomedicine; Public Work, Private Gain: Law & Politics; Advise & Consent: Whose Life, Whose Values?; Behind Academic Row; Artwork[s]: When your Work IS Your Life; Facing the Wall; and Sex, Drugs, &...Derivatives?

One of the sessions, The [Over]Work Ethic asked the question, how much work is too much? Dr. Vos led the group discussion and two experts, Bill Schmitz and John Wittenbraker, gave helpful insight into what awaits in the post-college world. Students and faculty thought about questions concerning time management, foreign country's policies on work, careers as agents of identification and how to handle a surge of work in college and when we enter the work force.



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Dr. Marsh, one of the many Discourse Day participants, adds his thoughts on Phillip Levine's What Work Is to the Discourse Wall

The session entitled Sex and Gender at Work discussed the differences between men and women in the work place. The discourse focused around a popular scenario. What should a woman or a man do if they encounter sexual pressures in the work place? This topic was especially relevant for a college student to consider since the possibility of a situation such as this happening to us in the future is unfortunately not highly unlikely. Another question brought up was whether or not it is appropriate to have an intimate relationship with a co-worker and if there is a personal relationship, how does it affect the other business colleagues?

Student reactions were relatively positive to Discourse Day. Many students felt that it was a welcome change from the monotony of the weekly course schedule. Sophomore Liz Casey said "I'm glad I was required to attend for class because it forced me to attend the sessions. However, I would have liked to see more student involvement in some of the sessions. Sex and Gender at Work was really good because it gave two perspectives on a current issue. The topic was relevant because it concerns our future." Sophomore Aimee Schmalzle attended the Peer Gynt Talk-Back session and enjoyed it because it "invited insight to the play and what Ibsen intended to convey."

There are several upcoming events being sponsored by the Center for Ethics. On March 13 Phillip Levine will speak about his poetry collection entitled, *What Work Is* in Egner Chapel at 8:00.

On March 25 Stephanie Coontz, the author of The Way We Never Were and the forthcoming The Way We Really Are will be discussing Ending the War Over America's Changing Families in the Recital Hall at 7:30. The discussion is co-sponsored with Women's Studies.

On April 2, Chico Lager, an entrepreneur and author of Ben and Jerry's: The Inside Scoop, will discuss socially conscientious business and brings free ice cream. The event will be held in Memorial Hall.

Muhlenberg hosts Hava Beller on April 8 in the Recital Hall at 7:00 pm. There will be a discussion with the filmmaker and screening of her documentary "The Restless Conscience" on German resistance to Hitler. Jewish Studies will co-sponsor this event.

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Faculty approves a list of new courses

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief
information courtesy of the Library Committee report and the Curriculum Committee report.

At its monthly meeting, the faculty approved some new courses and took a stand against private consultants sitting in on classes.

The first course added to the catalog was History of Modern Architecture which will carry the (A) designation. The course will examine the history of modern architecture by concentrating on the major and minor architects, buildings, and ideas evident in the development of modern architecture. The course will focus, in a contextual approach, on the innovations in architectural history circa 1880 to the present in America and Europe. The course will include slides and walking tours.

The faculty also approved the addition on Psychology of Women as a course. It had previously been offered three times as a special topics course with high enrollment. The course will examine theory and research on gender differences, specifically female gender development, taking into consideration biological, cognitive, behavioral and social influences. Emphasis will be placed on a critical analysis of the assumptions about human behavior and the methods used to test these ideas. Topics will include gender-role development, achievement motivation, women and work, sexuality and health, and violence against women. Psychology 101 is a prerequisite.

In the continuing effort to build the Asian Studies program, a course entitled Introduction to Traditional Chinese Philosophy was approved with the (P) and (C) designations. The course is an introduction to the major schools of traditional Chinese philosophy (Confucianism, Taoist, and Buddhist philosophies) as a key to understanding Chinese culture.

The history department presented two new courses to be approved by the faculty. The first, Introduction to Traditional Japan will carry both the (H) and (C) designations and will focus on the traditional culture and history of Japan, down to the beginnings of modernization. Major topics are the court culture, the samurai and the culture of the townspeople.

The second course, which will carry the (H) designation, is Imperial Russia which surveys the history of Russia in the Imperial period, from Peter the Great to the Revolutions of 1917. The development of the Russian state and Russian society, the influence of Western Europe are major themes.

Small Business Management will also be added to the course catalog. This course is designed to answer the "now what?" questions that entrepreneurs face once a new venture is launched. Issues include cash management, human resources issues, legal and regulatory concerns, ethical issues, operations, control of growth, distribution and sales, and successful exit strategies. Business 135 and 351 are prerequisites.

The next course approved was Media Industries which has been offered as a special topics course twice already. The course introduces students to economic theory and analysis relevant to media industries. The course examines the economic and organizational structures of various communication industries, such as cable and network television, newspapers, advertising and telephone. The performance of these industries is assessed as well as competition among media and within related industries. The course also discusses the globalization and consolidation of communication companies.

Two new courses in biochemistry have also been added. Advanced Biochemistry I and II were approved. They will provide a more in depth study of biochemistry focussing on biomolecules and metabolism. These courses require Biology 311 and Chemistry 311 as prerequisites. Chemistry 321 may be taken as a corequisite.

The faculty was also informed of several changes in requirements of several departments for receiving a degree. The first is a change in the biochemistry major. Advanced Biochemistry Lab I and II were removed as requirements and in their places the new Advanced Biochemistry classes were added. Molecular Biology was also dropped as a requirement and is now a recommended course.

The Communication Department will drop the Communications Project I and II from the catalog replacing them with Communications Research, a one semester course. The purpose of this change is to teach research methodologies at the beginning of the student's specialization in the major. The course entitled Comparative Media Systems will be renamed International Communication.

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The second major topic of the meeting was giving the library staff faculty status. The proposal called for all librarians with a M.L.S., the terminal degree in library sciences, to be given faculty status in non-tenurable positions. The proposal called for four levels of appointment which differ mainly by the number of years of service. Performance reviews would be given by the Library Director with appropriate involvement by the Dean of Faculty and the Library Committee. The library would also be given standing as a department directly responsible to the Dean of Faculty.

The proposal was backed up with data from other institutions. Of our main competitors, 60% give librarians faculty status and 53.33% consider the library an academic department.

The faculty raised many concerns about the proposal. The first dealt with not granting the faculty members tenure. Many felt if they became faculty members they would be eligible for tenure. The second concern dealt with reviewing the members. It was felt that a single review by the Library Director was not in accordance with the standards by which faculty are reviewed. It could become a problem if a librarian does not get along with the Director. It was determined the proposal should be referred back to the Faculty Personnel and Policies Committee for further input and then reintroduced. However, there was an overall feeling of support for giving librarians faculty status.

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The Nields held their annual concert for RHA in the Garden Room last Friday night

photo by Jay Faigenbaum

The Nields gave their annual performance in the Garden Room on Friday night. The group has recently re-released one of their albums on EMI/Guardian, their first major label contract.

by Glen Denys
Guest writer

Despite the beautiful weather outside last Friday, about sixty people ventured inside the Garden Room to listen and dance to The Nields, a band sponsored by RHA. The crowd was mixed between Muhlenberg students and locals, which were further divided between experienced Nields listeners and Nields virgins. People with past Nields experience (from past coffeehouses or the local Bethlehem MusicFest, held last summer) were able to decipher their often fast-paced, nearly stream-of-conscious type lyrics, while others simply appreciated the lead singer, Katryna Nields' free-flowing 60ish dancing.

The band consists of five members: Katryna—the vocalist, Nerissa and Dave—both on acoustic guitars, Dave—on bass, and another Dave—supports with the drums. Although the make-up of the band sounds conventional, their sound, mannerisms and lyrics are not. Lori Csencits, a local from Bethlehem, describes them as a mix of "pop and folk, with a little funk thrown in."

They constantly threw in other things too. Katryna was fascinated by the plants near her feet and kept joking about the Garden Room; in fact, the band dedicated one of their songs to it, "The Garden." Katryna extended her thanks to Muhlenberg for "letting us come here and live it up in the garden!" Dave Nields also added, "We really loved the vegetation."

To add to the fun and oddness of the performance, Katyrna played a frying pan, occasionally helped out on drums and commented between each song. Once, she and Nerissa sang together: "Chocolate and peanut butter. Two great tastes, that taste great together." Their spontaneity added to the enjoyment of their music.

They've released three albums, but the big news is their re-release of "Gotta Get Over Gretta" in May on the label, EMI/Guardian—their first major label contract. They're from Massachusetts, and primarily play on the East coast, but they also play music festivals all over the country. Currently, their songs can be heard on WXPN, 104.9 and one can also access their website at http://pobox.com/nields. With their original sound and unique blend of music, humor and lyrics, hopefully we'll see more of The Nields.

Greeks Make a Difference

Delta Tau Delta volunteers at the Jefferson Parkway Elementary School

by Chris Subbio
Guest writer

Students at the Lehigh Parkway Elementary School were never before quite familiar with the term "fraternity". Although they probably still aren't, at least these days they can experience firsthand what such an organization can offer to a community such as Allentown, courtesy of the Muhlenberg colony of Delta Tau Delta International Fraternity. For the past few months, Delts have been making the trip to the elementary school to lend a helping hand with various tasks involving the students, which range from tutoring, to helping with classroom activities, to simply having a good time with students at the ever popular recess yard. From the looks of their smiles, the little critics are pleased.

Since November, the Muhlenberg Delts have been involved full-swing in the international fraternity's unique "Adopt-A-School" program, a service in which countless brothers across the states have volunteered to spend time with young students, interact with them, and act as role models in this age where continuing schooling past the secondary level is essential. The arrival of the Delts at the Lehigh Parkway Elementary school is particularly welcome, being that adult males are not often seen throughout its halls as many brothers can attest to, due to the prolonged and curious stares they received during their first few visits. But they now are a familiar sight and their visits are looked forward to by many a student whom they have befriended.

photo courtesy of DTD

Delta Tau Delta brothers Shawn Rubin, Matt Hayn, Jeff Brydzinski, Jason Hartman, and Rocky Roeger helped out at the Jefferson Parkway Elementary School. It is part of the Adopt-A-School Program that DTD has joined.

Yes, the Delt brothers have made quite a number of wonderful little friends during their time at the Lehigh Parkway Elementary School. Not only have the children enjoyed themselves and the new friends whom they have made, but the brothers, too, have been able to reexperience such wonders as the recess bell and story time with their small counterparts. The Delts have enjoyed working with Principal Betty Shankweiler, who has been a peerless coordinator in her efforts to make the program a reality. All in all, everyone who has been part of the experience has come out with a smile.

It is programs like this that help dispel the common "Animal House" misconceptions that people often hold with regards to the term "fraternity" and the Delts are pleased to show the community that frats mean much more than the typical stereotype. They plan to continue this, along with other community services, to further this effort, and hopefully, all their efforts will have as extraordinary an outcome as Adopt-A-School. After all, elementary school is even better the second time around.

Faculty respond to outside consultant

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The final issue discussed at the meeting was the outside consultant brought in to evaluate the Communication Department by Arthur Taylor. The consultant, Dr. Small, has asked permission to sit in on classes. The faculty raised concerns that this could have an effect on members of the department who are currently on the tenure track. Since Mr. Small will report to President Taylor, there is also no guarantee the information in the report will be shared with the faculty members in the department. The faculty felt this represented bad procedure because classroom evaluations can contaminate possibilities for raises and tenure. It was noted that the faculty members are not being required to let Mr. Small observe their classes but some professors feel the administration is putting pressure on them to do so.

In response, one faculty member made motion that read: It is the sense of the faculty that the use of outside condultants in reviewing programs which involves observation of faculty members is a violation of the evaluation procedures of the College and should not be permitted. The motion was passed.

Then, another motion was passed by the faculty to further explain how the faculty felt about the outside consultants. The motion read: We the faculty feel that any outside review of a department must be done in accordance with established faculty procedures until such time as specific guidelines regarding outside reviews are developed by the appropriate committee(s).

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Earlier this semester, President Taylor announced the Olin Foundation has turned the College down for the new academic building because of the potential tax problems facing the school. This taxation issue is a serious problem because if the state of Pennsylvania decides to tax colleges then Muhlenberg could be stuck with a bill which could exceed one million dollars a year. Taylor said another problem facing the College was the legal costs. This year more will be spent on legal fees than on salary increases.

Win $25 and a free T-shirt

The Interfraternity Council and the Panhellenic Council are sponsoring a contest for a Greek Week T-shirt. The shirt must contain the letters of the eight Greek organizations on campus but the design may be original. The deadline for submission is March 14 and the winner of the contest will receive a free copy of the T-shirt and a $25 prize. Submit entries to the Greek Affair Coordinator, Brian Mauro, whose office is in the lower level of Seegers Union. Any questions? Call Nicole at 4804.

The Empire Strikes Back at theaters with few surprises

The Empire Strikes Back: Special Edition (PG) ★★★★
20th Century Fox
Review by Brian Teta

The Empire Strikes Back is the second, and as many fans would argue, the best installment in the *Star Wars Trilogy*.

Likened by many to the second act of a three act play, *Empire* manages to delve deeper into the characters and concepts introduced in the original *Star Wars* while setting things up for the climactic confrontation and resolution in *Return of the Jedi*.

With the release of *The Empire Strikes Back Special Edition*, the trilogy's creator George Lucas was able to correct the things he didn't like about the original release. Judging by the Special Edition, he didn't have too many problems with it.

While it truly is worth the price of admission to see it on the big screen, there is very little that is different about the new special edition and all but the truly hard core fans might not even notice the changes.

Luke Skywalker (Mark Hamill) begins his training to become a Jedi Knight under the watchful eye of Yoda (performed by Frank Oz) ***Picture courtesy of 20th Century Fox and Lucasfilm***

While the changes in *Star Wars* served to broaden the characters and expand the plot of that movie, *Empire's* changes are mostly superficial. But why tamper with perfection?

A much darker movie than its predecessor, *The Empire Strikes Back* contains some of the most breath-taking special effects in motion picture history.

Even today's computer generated effects are hard pressed to top the images of giant Imperial Walkers attacking the Rebel forces on the desolate ice planet of Hoth or the Millennium Falcon evading capture by maneuvering through a treacherous asteroid field.

Still probably the most important effect in *Empire* is one of the principal characters. The advent of Frank Oz's Yoda, the Jedi Master who schools Luke Skywalker (Mark Hamill) about the ways of the Force, proved that a muppet could be a convincing and believable dramatic actor.

Empire attempts to add more dimensions to the caricatures that we were introduced to in *Star Wars* and succeeds by tugging our heart strings with the burgeoning and (temporarily) tragic romance between Han Solo (Harrison Ford) and Princess Leia (Carrie Fisher), the betrayal of Lando Calrissian (Billy Dee Williams), and of course the stunning realization of Luke's relationship to Darth Vader. (I know it probably isn't necessary to be so vague, but there could be someone out there who still doesn't know....)

The Empire Strikes Back ends on an extremely unsatisfying down note with an annoying "to be continued..." feel to it that I remember driving me crazy the first time I saw it.

Luckily this time I won't have to wait so long. *Return of the Jedi Special Edition* hits theaters March 7th and work has already began on the new trilogy of prequels due in theaters in 1998.... Until then, May the Force Be With You.

O.K. This is the last drinking game, unless we really need the space. And speaking of space, without further ado here is the Star Wars Trilogy drinking game!

Basically, every time one of the listed events occurs, everybody takes a sip of their drink. I really don't recommend emptying a whole glass each time. You will lose conciousness before Vader even says "Don't underestimate the Force".

Drink whenever:

1. Someone has a bad feeling about this.
2. It is Luke's destiny.
3. A TIE fighter explodes for no reason.
4. Obi-Wan Kenobi materializes for a guest appearance.
5. Luke discovers a long-lost relative.
6. Han brags about the Millenium Falcon.
7. Anybody insults the Millenium Falcon.
8. Tarkin brags about the Death Star.
9. Leia insults somebody.
10. Luke whines.
11. The Emperor cackles evilly.
12. Yoda uses bad grammar.
13. Yoda talks like a fortune cookie.
14. An entire planet is described as having one climate.
15. R2-D2 gets thrashed.
16. C-3PO loses a body part. (Take two drinks if he is completely dismembered.)
17. Luke fights monsters or savages.
18. Obi-Wan plays detective. ("...Only Imperial Stormtroopers are so precise.")
19. Boba Fett talks.

STAR WARS SPECIAL EDITION

20. Somebody gets choked.
21. A gigantic technological marvel explodes in a single blast.
22. There is a tremor in the Force.
23. Luke does some nifty acrobatic flip.
24. Stormtroopers shoot everywhere but where they're aiming.
25. R2-D2 plugs into the wrong socket and his head spins around.
26. An old Jedi starts to ramble about the Force. (Vader counts.)
27. An Ewok dies, and the camera lingers longer than it did when the Death Star killed billions of people. (Fourteen seconds. Count 'em.)
28. Somebody's hand gets cut off.
29. The Emperor has foreseen something.
30. Luke teeters on the brink of a chasm.
31. Stormtrooper armor proves useless.
32. 3PO informs us of just how many forms of communication he's familiar with
33. It's not someone's fault
34. One or more heroes are almost eaten by a Thing
35. Leia wears an outfit that covers everything except her face and hands
36. Twice if it covers her neck
37. Three times if she's almost totally nude
38. A Jedi is much more powerful than he looks
39. A woman other than Leia is on screen
40. Twice if she's a Rebel
41. The whole container of whatever you're drinking if she's an Imperial (don't worry, it'll nver happen)
42. Something doesn't work on the Falcon
43. Twice if it's the hyperdrive
44. Someone exclaims "No!"
45. Luke is upside-down
46. Someone does something apparently suicidal that turns out to be a good idea
47. Twice if it's not Han
48. Someone wears the same outfit in all three movies— it counts if they change at the end
49. Luke and Lando are in the same place at the same time
50. Twice if they speak to each other
51. Vader runs into one of his kids and doesn't recognize them
52. Twice if he tries to kill them
53. Someone is mind-controlled using the Force
54. Luke's parentage is Foreshadowed
56. A Rebel pilot is of a race other than white
57. Something or someone tries to extort money from Han

Top Ten Star Wars Lines Laced With Sexual Innuendo

10. Get in there you big furry oaf, I don't care what you smell!

9. Luke, at this speed do you think you'll be able to pull out in time?

8. It's possible he came in through the South Entrance

7. And I thought they smelled bad on the outside!

6. You've got something jammed in here real good.

5. Grab me, Chewie. I'm slipping -- hold on. Grab it, almost...you almost got it. Gently now, all right, easy, easy, hold me, Chewie. Chewie!

4. Back door huh? Great idea!

3. I thought that hairy beast would be the end of me!

2. You came in that thing? You're braver than I thought!

1. Size matters not. Judge me by size do you?

Consult the Mule.....

by Jennifer Zwirn and
Sherry Fazio
Weekly columnists

Aries (March 21 - April 19)

Well Aries...you didn't think you would make it to Spring Break but guess what...you have! Congratulations...you rock! Spring Break is going to be really good for you, Aries. This has been quite a stretch for you since Winter Break, with many changes that you never could have imagined. You've had the privilege of learning firsthand that when something doesn't kill you, it makes you stronger and that you learn and grow with every new experience. So take all your newfound wisdom and get on things already! You have such an amazing personality to offer the world...so let Spring Break be your beginning to the rest of the semester.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20)

Hey Taurus, well it's time to put on a smile and be excited about all you have because guess what...it's finally SPRING BREAK!!! After a rough few days, you're beginning to have that much needed and overdue revelation that a lot of stuff is not worthy of all of the emotion you give. Things come and go - that's part of life. People, just like problems, pop in and out of our lives all the time. You, especially, Taurus should try to remember things are never as bad as they seem at the moment they occur. This is college...it's supposed to be the best time of your life so smile about all the good things you've got going!! Stop worrying about what could be or would be, just be pleased with what is!

Gemini (May 21 - June 21)

Hey there happiness!! Well somebody or something sure has gotten to your heart lately...right in time for Spring Break, too! What could be better and who is more deserving than you?! A word of advice, however, for you, Gemini - take off your running shoes! It's probably best to go nice and slow when you're unsure of your destination. After all, you never drive without a map, so why go into things head on, without any direction? We know you're very excited with your long-awaited reward, however, we also don't want you to get hurt. Keep an eye on where you're going and you'll be sure to end up in the right place.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22)

People are always coming to you for help - are you surprised?! Well, you shouldn't be, Cancer, you're full of good advice and bright ideas! You ought to be commended for being such a true and devoted friend. Few are as committed to friendship as you are. Recently, you've done some amazing things for some really close friends and they want to pay you back somehow. You, however, refuse to take anything from your friends. You know, Cancer, more people ought to be like you. So next time you feel down about things that are going on, keep in mind that you can turn to your friends, because just as you are to them, they will forever be true. That's what friendship is all about.

Leo (July 23 - August 22)

Well, Leo, seems like Spring Break couldn't have arrived at a better place in the semester for you! It's probably time for you to stop and think about the recent events in your life. You might want to try thinking a little bit more about why you do the things you do. There is nothing wrong with a little self-analysis once in a while. Spring Break provides us with time to spend away from the usual everyday burdens that school sometimes set on your shoulders. Use your vacation in order to have a little time just for you. Consider yourself lucky that you have made it as far as you have, and honestly just count your blessings. Consider yourself lucky that you have an opportunity to make everything better - so go for it. You truly are capable of so much, Leo - let the world in on your little secret!

Virgo (August 23 - September 22)

Um Virgo...did you know that Spring Break hasn't started yet?! Yeah...we're glad we could clue you into things you're supposed to know! Anyway, apparently lately you've been skating on thin ice...you're definitely walking around but are you really sure where you are or where you are going? Wake up, Virgo! Break is next week - and yes there will be plenty of time for more fun that you ever imagined, however, you do want there to be a life after your education?! If you keep this 'no need to go to class' thing up, you're going to find yourself with plenty of time on your hands, but you can't really put party animal on your resume. It's okay - everybody loses their way once in a while - just return to your old routine and you'll be fine!

Libra (September 23 - October 23)

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Your *Weekly* Horoscope

Hey Libra...did you hear the latest gossip...well of course you did...you probably invented it! The words probably originated in your mouth and now it's your duty to clear the air due to the flapping of your gums! You do have a wonderful personality, and you're one who everybody knows and loves, however we do want you to stay that way, right?! It's okay to talk, but how about talking about the weather or your favorite sports team for awhile...then maybe you can start dishing out your opinions again! Remember, actions speak louder than words and if you feel the need to make a statement - go for it - just don't hurt everybody else in the process, okay?!

Scorpio (October 24 - November 22)

Hey Scorpio...knock knock...opportunity has recently jumped in your face and you barely even flinched! What is up with that? Do we need to put hot coals under your sheets to get your attention? You're very special and obviously in great demand, however, if you take advantage of all you have now then when everything is said and done you'll probably be left standing all by yourself. SO...get up and grab this opportunity that has basically been given to you on a silver platter...petty problems will float in and out of your life continuously, but the ones who care about you most will be there. Life is too short to spend playing the "I'm mad at you game" - so how about getting over it already?! You're the one who will most benefit in the end anyway...think about it.

Sagittarius (November 23 - December 21)

Hey Sag...been contemplating some sort of decision lately? Well, perhaps you should use Spring Break to get off your little roller coaster ride of "what do I do next?" How about living instead of analyzing every second and action spent deciding upon?! Enough with this self-induced pressure already! Aren't classes challenging enough for you?! There really aren't too many things in life that should be labeled as problems unless you make them problems. Life is too short to spend every second on one ridiculous situation that won't matter in a hundred years. So, stop fretting and enjoy everything as it comes.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19)

OK, so here we go again, Cap - will you please beam back down to earth with the rest of us? We miss you! You've got spring break coming up and it's time to get yourself together. Hello...books...classes...school?? Have we forgotten why exactly we're in college?! Come on, Cap, you know you are perfectly capable of getting it all together, so what exactly are you waiting for? Do you need a personalized invitation to go to class? Are you familiar with the expression "Don't put off till tomorrow what you can do today"? Perhaps you ought to take it to heart. The semester is going to be over before you have the chance to catch up with yourself.

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18)

Okay, so Spring Break is on its way and you're practically bursting with excitement! Well, Aquarius, have fun and relish in your enthusiasm for this much needed vacation!! Nobody deserves a break as much as you do. However, as great as everything has been going this semester, there seems to be something missing. Maybe Spring Break will be this perfect time for you to discover what this mysterious link is. Whether this is a friendship in need of reconciliation, a new activity that could desperately use your unique abilities, or maybe the fact that you don't acknowledge the meaning of the word relax...whether you find... remember that as wonderful as you are...there is always room for improvement - even in the best of us - that's how you got that way.

Pisces (February 19 - March 20)

Pisces, it has finally come - Spring break, that is! We know you've been looking forward to it for a long time now so how about taking this time to sort a few things out and actually think about all the great things you have. The mere fact that you have a Spring Break should clue you in on how lucky and fortunate you are. You know, Pisces, life is full of ups and downs but you should know by now that you have to just take everything as it comes. You have such a great outlook on life in general, but sometimes looking at the glass as being half full instead of half empty would really turn your melancholy days into exciting moments that you'll never forget! Mary Poppins said it best - just remember that taking things down with a spoonful of sugar might make it easier.

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Vegas vacation fails to live up to predecessors

by Paul Brenner
Syndicate Columnist

The brand name "National Lampoon" is curiously missing from the title of Chevy Chase's new go-round as the glumpy WASP schmuck Clark Griswold. I can actually visualize National Lampoon executives stuffing their canvas satchels with whatever they can carry and desperately shredding documents in a furious attempt to put some distance between themselves and this twenty megaton bomb. When Chase announces to his family that they are going to go to Las Vegas on vacation and says "I think this is gonna be the greatest vacation ever," you can almost hear the exit doors on the set slamming shut around him.

The story is almost an afterthought, making it the most developed idea in the film. After inventing a long-life food substitute, Chase is given a bonus and he decides to take the Griswolds (Beverly D'Angelo, Ethan Embry, and Marisol Nichols) on a family vacation to Vegas. Once there, Chase shoots-the-works, D'Angelo is romanced by Wayne Newton, Embry strikes it rich, and Nichols gets to shake like a dancer on "Hullabaloo." In the interim, plenty of priceless comedy moments ensue.

Just kidding. The problem is that there are no priceless comedy moments. Set pieces for comic business plop down one after the other like the thumping dinosaurs footsteps of "Jurrasic Park" with no comic payoff. Chase keeps losing more and more money to smarmy blackjack dealer Wallace Shawn and he gets angrier and angrier. What happens? Nothing. Chase is forced to participate in Seigfried and Roy's magic and disappears on-stage. What happens? He reappears on stage at the end of the act. Chase gets lost at Hoover Dam and ends up crawling up its vast surface. What happens? The Griswolds pull him up over the top and they leave. The film is a big, comic tease. Now I know how Stephen Rea felt when Jaye Davidson disrobed for him in "The Crying Game."

Chase himself is sham. The good old days of "Fletch," "National Lampoon's Vacation," and "Saturday Night Light" are sadly left behind him in the dust of Christie Brinkley's sports car. Puffy and awkward, he seems more like a Rotary Club member than a film comic. There is a bit at the beginning of the film where Chase drives into his driveway and briefly becomes entangled in an overturned bike. Where the Chase of old would have milked the chance for some cheap laughs, the Chase of "Vegas Vacation" oafishly steps over it — not like a comic but more like an arthritic man in his mid-fifties trying to get to the front door. Chase is no longer satirizing Clark Griswold. He has become Clark Griswold.

The most pathetic moment in the film features Chase and a cameo by comedy great Sid Caesar. Caesar tries to muster up the bygone days as he mimes a mock stroke. Chase looks on with an expression of complete disorientation. Is this what Warner Brothers thinks is the cutting-edge of American film comedy — a once-great comic being gawked at in stupefaction by a washed-up comic star, milking an arid vacuum for laughs?

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Success of Discourse Day Depends on Panel

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

Muhlenberg took a day out of classes last week to discuss ethical issues in the workplace. The purpose of the day was for students to take advantage of their Muhlenberg liberal arts education. From the first day students walk on campus, they are encouraged to make an argument and support that argument with facts and examples. In theory, this day is the pinnacle of a liberal arts education.

After going to the events, one will immediately realize that the quality of the session is dependent upon the team leading the discussion. Of the sessions that I went to, I think the two sessions that best define the difference between a good session and a bad one are Advise & Consent and Sex, Drugs, & Derivatives?.

The goal of the team should be to give a starting topic or idea to the group and keep conversation going to avoid short periods of silence. The video or short reading at the beginning of each session should be followed by an introductory question. If following this question silence persists, the team needs to restate the question or possibly ask a better question.

The team captain for the Advise & Consent session that I went to was Andy Scappaticci. After watching a clip from Dead Poets Society, Scappaticci asked for reactions to what was just seen. Dead silence. Like a good team captain, Scappaticci restated the question, "What questions does this scene raise?". Still dead silence. Instead of starting a debate among the team members, Scappaticci continued by asking, "What would you have done in this situation?" Discussion started immediately. This discussion was even between the faculty and students, which is what a Muhlenberg education and a Discourse session are all about.

In the Sex, Drugs & Derivatives session, Dr. Jim Bloom, from the English Department, was the team captain. Bloom introduced the "panel" as the first order of business. Then, an excerpt from Michael Moore was read. Instead of asking a debatable question, the *panel* was asked for their views on the excerpt. The panel should have realized that there were many students who wanted to express their views. That is the whole point of the day.

When students were finally able to express their opinions, Bloom would comment on each and every opinion expressed instead of opening up a debate between two, three or four *students!!*

In addition, Bloom's interruptions caused a "line" of students waiting to express their opinions.

Discourse Day, next year, should include thought provoking teams, not panels. Some students can feel intimidated to interrupt professors. It is ridiculous to have professors lecturing on a day which hopes to promote student discussion. Discourse Day is a great day for students, provided they are given a forum that is conducive to a discussion environment.

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Muhlenberg to offer new program to honor student leaders

Student input wanted on nominations

Student Leader of the Week nomination form

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Activities the nominee is involved in_____

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Other qualities which make the nominee worthy of the award__

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Starting after Spring Break, Muhlenberg will begin a new program entitled "Student Leader of the Week." The purpose of this program is being put in place so student leaders can be recognized for their hard work.

The selection of the Student Leader of the Week will be done by a committee comprised of three students who have voting rights. Becky Grace and Brian Mauro will help advise the group and aid in selection but will not be voting members of the committee.

A Student Leader of the Week will be chosen every full week of the academic year.

Since the committee has no way of knowing what everyone is doing on campus, we are asking for your input. We would like to be given names of people who should be considered for this award.

There are some specific criteria for this award although there are several points the committee will take into account. Firstly, those being nominated must be in the Class of 1997 or be graduating in May. The people should be students who exemplify the best in Muhlenberg. The nominee should have served in leadership roles on campus and added something to the Muhlenberg Community as a whole.

The form opposite this article can be filled out and dropped in a box which will be placed on the Seegers Union desk after Spring Break. It is important that students nominate each other because this honor is supposed to be given by students to students.

The person chosen Student Leader of the Week will receive a plaque and will have a profile run in the *Weekly*. The committee is also working on organizing a dinner for all of the student leaders possible at President Taylor's house at the end of the semester.

Phi Mu Congratulates their IM Volleyball champs

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Nancy Fernandez
Billie Fritz
Nicole Goscilo
Meghan Herz
Karen Jones
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Melanie Strickland

Phi Mu would like to congratulate all of their sisters who made Dean's List for Fall 1996

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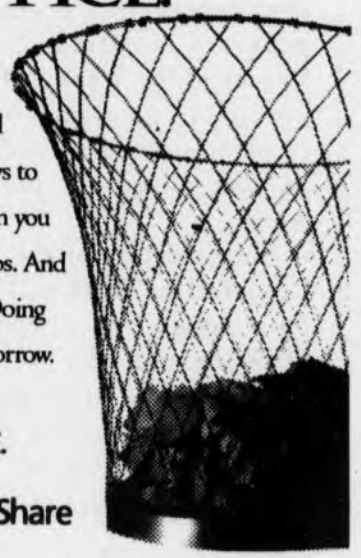

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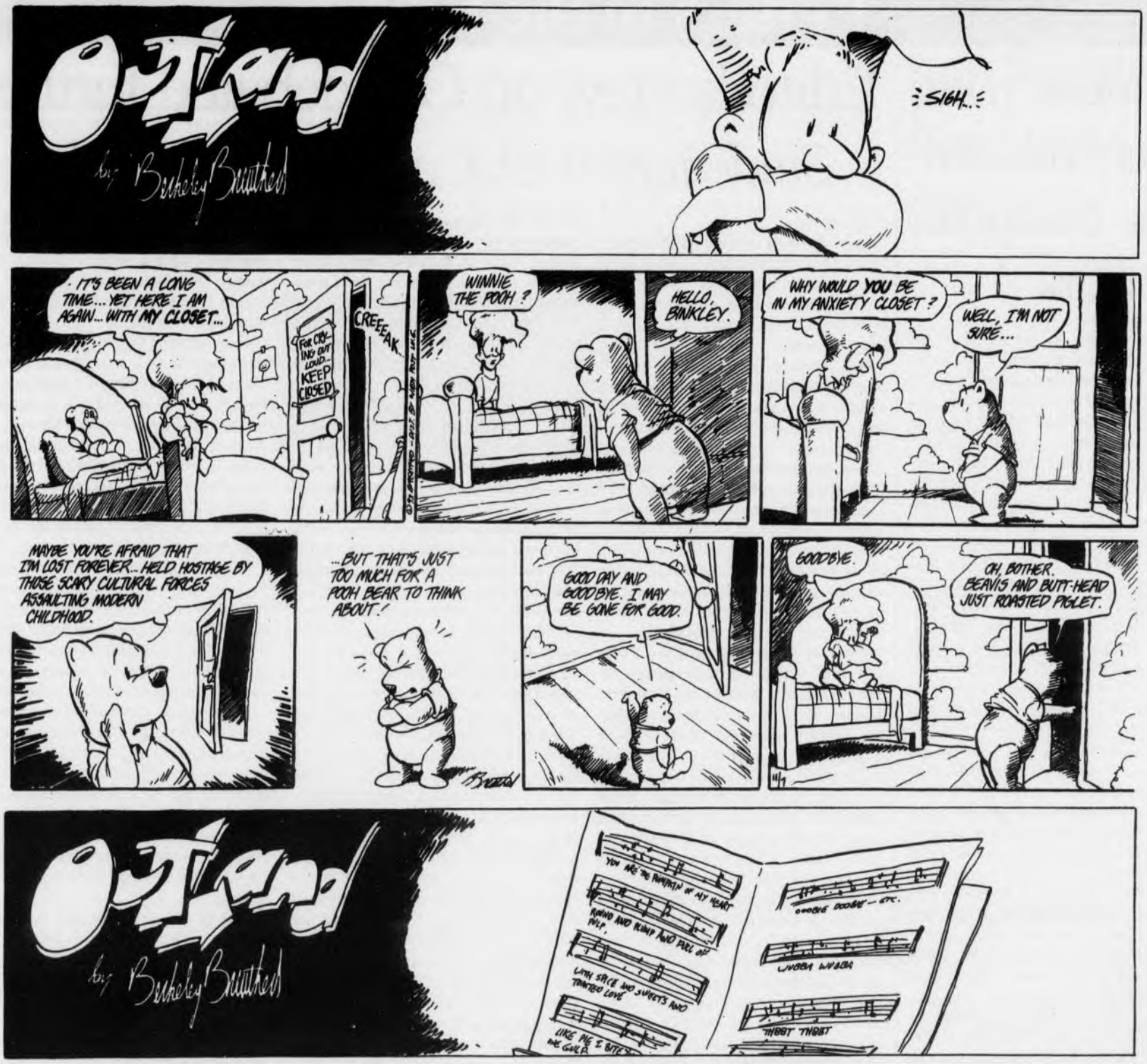
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by Berkeley Breathed
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WINNIE THE POOH ?
HELLO, BINKLEY.
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GOOD DAY AND GOODBYE. I MAY BE GONE FOR GOOD.
GOODBYE.
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Outland
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YOU ARE THE PUMPKIN OF MY HEART
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PARENTS! MUSIC CAN GIVE YOUR LITTLE MALE GOOB A BRIGHT FUTURE!

Letters to the Editor

Student takes issue with campus computer network

To the Editors:

I am writing on behalf of all the MacIntosh users on campus. We won't be discriminated against anymore! As a collective we heavily request that the network support both Windows AND MacIntosh users. The task at hand is simple, and the procedure is basic. Purchase software called MacIPX and distribute it to the Mac users on Campus. Well, that wasn't too painful now, was it? This program will enable Mac users to convert the Novell Software into compatible files which the MacIntosh can read. It is unfair that only Windows users can access the network. Also, it would make the college look better if it was able to support both systems. This is an open invitation to enter the new millennium earlier than expected.

While I'm writing this, I'll take the time to ask "Why don't we update the Netscape program to version 3.0? You say it is not stable enough. Well, not only is the new version faster than its ancient predecessor, the resolution has it beat tenfold. Not a day goes by when I'm on the network (in the lab) where an error message appears. Does this look familiar to anyone? "An error has occurred in your application. If you choose ignore you need to save your work in a new file, if you choose cancel, the application will close." Notice that if you choose ignore-it doesn't work!!! On ESPNET, after getting the close-ignore error, you will get another error message which states: "Application error, Netscape cause a general protection fault in module Netscape.exe at 0007:C08C." You must now close the application. Also, downloading cannot be achieved from many sites because they require a later version of Netscape than supported by the College network. If this is your definition of stability, you make volcanoes look passive.

Back to the original topic. MacIPX can be purchased from Novell and we the students shouldn't have to pay for it. We are in an age where networks can easily be configured to support both MacIntosh and IBM compatible computers easily. We as students (with MacIntosh computers) would like to see some support from the network we are funding.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jon Mandelbaum
Class of 1999

Editor's view on O.J. debated further

Student feels O.J. could not be guilty

Dear Editor-

I just finished reading Mark Koup's "An Outside Perspective". I am so tired of hearing unintelligent, uneducated, racially motivated, media driven opinions about the O.J. case that I simply had to respond.

O.J. Simpson is an innocent man. It is quite remarkable how much we trust and believe in our criminal justice system until it acquits a black man of killing a white woman. Isn't that why the white population is so outraged? Not only outraged that a prominent black man has married an attractive white woman, but now she's dead and that (pick a racial expletive) must be a killer. Racism is alive and well, living all over America. Public sentiment involving this case proves it. Let's reason our way through the case.

Nothing the LAPD says should be believed. This is the most corrupt police department in America. They beat Rodney King mercilessly, and they have killed numerous other African Americans, too numerous to describe to you but the names of the two victims you might recognize are Michael James Bryant and John Daniels. Furthermore, a commission headed by Secretary of State Warren Christopher confirmed the *commonplace* use of excessive force and systematic racism throughout the LAPD. Mark Fuhrman, the chief detective in this case (that means that the majority of things you read in the paper came from him) lied under oath. This man is a clear cut, point blank racist who hated the fact that a black man was married to Nicole Brown. Do you remember the tapes that proved he lied on the stand? Here is a brief sampling of what Fuhrman said. Remember, he has informed the media of what happened with O.J., you have read the papers and seen the news and you believe it, so the man making these comments has formed your opinions: Fuhrman- "First thing out of a nigger's mouth for the first five or six sentences is a lie...you keep choking him until he tells the truth. You know, it is kind of funny, but a lot of policemen get a kick out of it", "Westwood is gone. The niggers have discovered it." O.J. lived in Westwood. Hmmm... what a coincidence. Here is my personal favorite. "We stopped the choke because a bunch of niggers have a bunch of those organizations in the South End and because all the niggers that were choked out were killed-twelve in ten years." Quite extraordinary, isn't it? This is the same man who, by himself; that's right with no one else around found the bloody glove, the tiny spots of blood in the dark, and who scoured O.J.'s property without a warrant. He found Brown and Goldman dead, and decided to take his revenge for the white race. Strange how the white public believes this man's story instead of a famous, upstanding, charitable usually benevolent black man.

Even if you don't want to focus on the racial issue, let's look at some other facts. Why would O.J. wait until now to kill Nicole? He had found her with men in the past, they had arguments, fights, 911 calls. At the time of the deaths, O.J. and Nicole were separated and O.J. just wanted to get on with his life. You only need watch reruns of the Entertainment Channel's "Gossip Show" to know that.

Famous and wealthy people do not commit capital murder. It is easy to pay someone else. Why would a famous figure take the chance of getting caught? I dare anyone to name me an actual American, multimillionaire celebrity who has committed first degree murder. I'm waiting.

If you believe O.J. is guilty, than you must believe O.J. arrived in his home, cleaned himself up (of course being a bloody mess), scraped his fingernails, washed his hair, composed himself, got dressed, and was in a congenial mood when he went to his limo all in five minutes. Five minutes-both teams of lawyers in both cases agreed to this timeline. Five minutes, c'mon. Simpson did not display the demeanor of a guilty man.

Mr. Koup, I strongly advise you not to take up law. But, if you would have, you would know that a civil case is decided on the basis of preponderance of evidence. The evidence has been proved, in the criminal case, to be tainted. So, how can there be any evidence to weigh. Juror #11's comment was completely unprofessional. Read it again. She called convicting a man of murdering his ex-wife and another human "one of the easiest decisions of her life." after another jury had acquitted the same man in four hours. Rather an interesting paradox, don't you think? What about the jury tampering that took place in the civil trial. Perhaps there is some connection.

I ask all of you who believe that O.J. is guilty to rethink your stand because you have been a victim of the media and your own racial beliefs and uneasiness with an interracial marriage. Look at the real facts and not the ones media hounds like Geraldo Rivera would have you believe. O.J. is an innocent man.

Toby J. Brace

Columnist discusses problems of having a large head

The World According to Me
by Josh Northridge

Conan O'Brien said in an interview with Playboy magazine (yes I read the articles) that "the thing people don't know about the Irish is that our heads are twice the size of other people's heads". This is very true, and I give for an example this guy I know on campus. I can't reveal who he is, but you all can figure it out because when you see him you can no longer see the sun. The other day it was a little icy on the pathways and on the road and when he was crossing the street he slipped and fell. While the rest of us were laughing a Dodge Ram pickup truck came barreling down Chew Street towards him. The truck never saw him and all of a sudden... CRASH!!! My friend with the big head got up, shook his giant noggin from side to side, and continued on his way. The story with the truck however was very different. All four tires blew as a result of the accident and there was severe front axle damage. The driver survived thanks to the seat belt and air bag. The truck could no longer be driven and had to be towed away. At last I heard, my friend with the big head was doing experiments with NASA trying to develop technology that prevents burn up during reentry.

Editor responds to Brace's Letter

I would like to preface my article with a pledge that this is the final column that will be written by this author regarding the O.J. Simpson saga. I realize that it is possible to beat a dead horse into the ground, and indeed I am guilty of this.

I couldn't resist a response to Toby Brace's letter. I appreciate his contribution to the paper, and would welcome him to write more often for the opinion section. I take offense, however, to his suggestion that my opinions are "unintelligent, uneducated, racially motivated and media driven". I am at the point in my life where I can distinguish between sensational journalism, and what I feel to be relevant and the truth. As for being unintelligent and uneducated, I will let my column speak for itself.

I agree one hundred percent that Mark Fuhrman is a racist. There is no debate over this issue. His statements were despicable and his perjury proves his inability to accept the fact that he is a racist. I do disagree with the assertion that Fuhrman let his racial degradations get in the way of doing his job. One would be hard pressed to find a police officer who said that Fuhrman wasn't a decent detective. He was praised by former LAPD Darryl Gates as being a fine detective-not a fine human being. There is a big difference. It is preposterous to claim that Fuhrman planted the evidence. It would have taken the other fourteen detectives on the case after Fuhrman to cover this planting up in order for it to be successfully executed. Fourteen other detectives is a lot to convince to frame a mulit-millionaire superstar.

As for Simpson being a "upstanding, charitable, usually benevolent black man", I would strongly disagree. A man who is a known drug user and who

An Outside Perspeetive
by Mark A. Koup

has pleaded no contest to spouse abuse does not fit my definition of upstanding or usually benevolent.

I have one major question to Mr. Brace and everyone else who believes in Simpson's innocence. If O.J. did not kill these two people, who did? What about Simpson's varying alibis about his location at the time of the murders? It is very hard to be chipping golf balls and walking your arthritic dog (my dog is arthritic, she doesn't walk very far) at the same time. Or how about Simpson's inability to explain the cut on his finger during the civil trial?

Detective Tom Lang spoke with Simpson during his low speed evasion of the police. Lang, coincidentally, was not accused of being a racist. O.J. is recorded during that conversation saying that "I am the only one who deserves to be hurt." What does he deserve to be hurt for? Chipping golf balls? If Simpson was innocent, why didn't he take the witness stand in his own defense during the criminal trial? To quote defense lawyer Johnnie Cochran, "It does not fit."

I have nothing against interracial marriages nor am I a victim of the media. I just believe that Simpson is the only person responsible for this crime.

When Lou Brown received a phone call from the LAPD the night of the murder of his daughter, he hung up the receiver and said to his wife "He killed her". This was said before Simpson returned from his trip to Chicago. The most touching for me was Nicole's voice from the grave. Her closest friend revealed her fear that "O.J. is going to kill me, and he will get away with it". The travesty in this saga is that justice will never fully be served.

Funds ready for Muhlenberg entrepreneurs

To All Muhlenberg College Students-

Have you ever had thoughts of starting your own business, but didn't have the money? The student run Entrepreneurial Club has re-emerged as a Venture Capital Fund to help you aspire to those dreams. The club is offering Muhlenberg students with a good bonafide business idea the possibility of receiving up to a $1000 loan for start-up capital to get the business going. This is not limited to only business students. Any Muhlenberg student is entitled to this money.

We know there are a lot of ideas floating around campus and we would like to hear about them. For those Muhlenberg students interested please pick up an information / questionnaire packet at the Seegers Union desk. Thank you and good luck!

Sincerely,
The Entrepreneurial Club

STAY THE COURSE
by Subbio
This week we'll be taking a look at some of the horrors of underprivelaged peoples of the world, seeing the real-life nightmares that those less fortunate are forced to endure.
Pete Alnerton, 43, New York City - Having been forced onto the streets some 20 years ago, Pete must beg and even pick through trash cans to find a day's meal.
Raj and Veena Singh, Bengal, India - also forced to beg and often must cry themselves to sleep at night due to hunger.
Sadly enough, this young baby will probably die in her mother's arms before reaching the age of 1 due to malnutrition.
Minnie Smallerton and Ned Finsterson - Allentown, Muhlenberg College Garden Room: must endure "gross" food.
Oh... My... God! There's a piece of, like, fat on my prime rib!
Oh man! I'm gonna puke! These fries are soggy! This sucks!
GAP
J.CREW

Profile of a Mule: Amy Sandt

A weekly series highlighting prominent figures in Muhlenberg athletics

by Steve Faella
***Weekly* sports columnist**

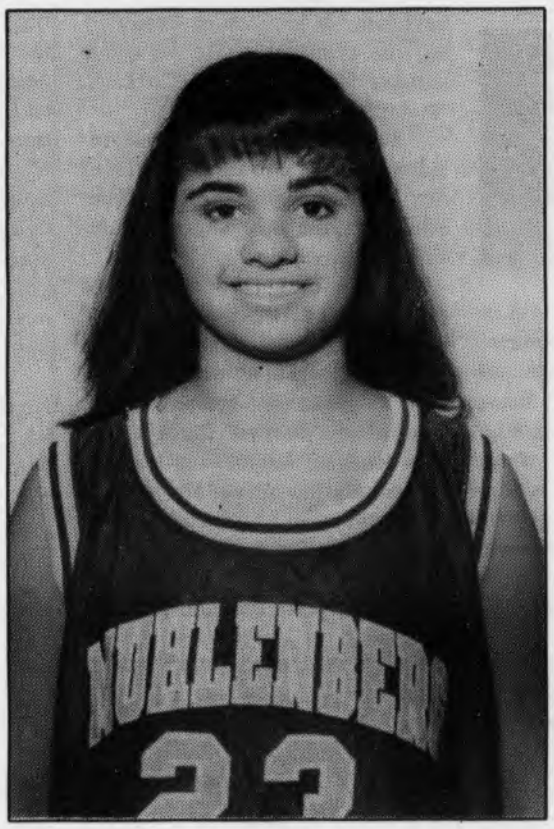
The Muhlenberg women's basketball team is getting set to play its first game of the post season, en route to that coveted championship. While there are many who have contributed to the success of the Lady Mules, had it not been for one freshman, they may not be where they are.

Amy Sandt has had a debut season better than anyone could have expected; and people have noticed. She was recently named Honorable Mention All-Conference.

Amy came to Muhlenberg from Weatherly High School in Pennsylvania. It was there that she had one of the best four year careers possible. She graduated with 2,311 career points; making her the 21st all time scorer in Pennsylvania history. We are very fortunate to have her here. "I came here because on my visit I enjoyed the players and the coaches, as well as the academics," said Sandt.

Originally the plan was for Amy to back up guards Sarah Clarke and Jill Roth, making the adjustment easier. That plan went right out the window after injuries to both forced her into the starting lineup, where she has remained ever since. However, the transition was not as easy as it seemed. "At first, adjusting was hard, I basically learned as I went. The game was a lot quicker and more aggressive, but my teammates helped make it easier."

The numbers that Amy has put up as a freshman are extremely impressive. At seasons ends, Amy led the team in total points with 269; compiling an 11.7 points per game average. She also has connected on 30 three pointers which leads the team. Amy has set a school record by burying a three-pointer in 11 straight games. Her 38.5 percent three point percentage ranks her second in the conference. However, scoring is not the only thing she can do. She ranks second on the team with 2.7 assists per game. Amy is also very talented at being a thief. She is second on the team with 35 steals.



Amy enjoys playing here with all her teammates. "Everyone has kind of taken me under their wing on and off the court. Everyone is real supportive; they are just a great group of girls."

I am sure her teammates enjoy playing with her as well. She has provided the Mules with the outside threat they thought they lost with the injuries to Clarke and Roth. Amy's scoring has helped opened up some space in the middle for Elvira LaRocca and Sara Bedi. LaRocca has really shined ending the season averaging a double-double.

Most freshmen athletes come into their debut season content to find a little playing time. Amy must not be your average athlete. She was not content with just being here, and pushed until she received her chance, making the most of it. Amy stepped up and played with the poise of a senior. Now with Clarke and Roth back from injuries, the Mules dangerous backcourt has added another weapon. Amy Sandt has had a freshmen year that people dream about; and winning a championship would just be the icing on the cake. Come out and support the Lady Mules on their quest for the trophy!

National Sports Update

All major league players have reported to camps, and the first games of the 1997 spring training season are set to begin in Florida and Arizona on Friday.

Philadelphia Phillie closer Ricky Bottalico filmed a commercial in which he tries to talk a suicidal man from jumping off of a building. The original script had Bottalico fail in his attempt and the man die, with Bottalico being charged with a blown save and a loss. After numerous complaints, the script was changed.

Miami Heat center Alonzo Mourning tore a ligament in his foot Friday and will be out for at least six weeks.

Kansas remains the number one ranked college basketball team in the nation. The University of Minnesota moved up to number two this week, with Kentucky, Utah, and Wake Forest rounding out the top five.

Flyers defenseman Michele Pitit was suspended indefinitely for kneeing Florida Panther Johan Garpenlov last week. Garpenlov will be out of action for six weeks.

Barry Bonds became the highest paid player in baseball when he re-signed with the San Fransisco Giants this week.

After three days in basic training, heavyweight boxer Riddick Bowe quit the United States Marine Corps. Bowe's business manager said that Bowe would "still like to serve his country, but in a different capacity. Maybe now he can run for Congress or something."

Attention:

All you softball addicts!

Get your teams organized now for Co-Rec softball intramurals. Designate a captain and give your team list to Mrs. H in the Athletic Office or call x3394

Sig Ep faces off against AEPi in a recent IM basketball game

The men's IM basketball season is winding down. Playoffs will be held for A, B, and C leagues during the annual Mule Madness events on March 18-20

Wacky, Strange, and Stupid Sports of the World

This week the editors explore the exciting world of lumberjack sports

by C.J. Lenat
Sports Editor
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Assistant Sports Editor

We're back once again with another article about a crazy and stupid sport of the world. This week, we're going to focus on not just a sport, but a whole series of events based around that famous wood-cutter of the forest, the lumberjack. Oh yes big fat hicks with chainsaws. Whoopee!

Yes, that's right, there are a grand total of fourteen events based around the skills one needs to reach the pinnacle of redneckedness. All to reach the goal of being able to brag to your buddies that you can saw and chop faster than anyone else in the world. Sounds like bragging rights to us!

Okay, here's some of the lumberjack events in detail. First, of course, there's the ancient art of axe throwing. Seriously, who can have a competition without throwing some heavy tools that were never meant to be thrown?

Contestants must throw thier specially designed axes, which must weigh two and a half pounds and be 24 inches in length, at a target 20 feet away. The object is to hit a four inch circular bull's eye.

How much time does one have to invest in throwing axes to be able to hit a four inch circle from twenty feet away? And how would a lumberjack benefit from this skill? Oh, yeah, we forgot, lumberjacks like to take breaks from their work and take random axe throws at furry forest animals.

Next there's hot sawing! What's hot sawing you ask? Well it's cutting a 24 inch log with a modified power saw, limited to one cylinder. Sounds easy enough, right? We'll just go get our one cylinder modified power saws and start sawing!

What the hell? This is moronic. Who in the hell knows what a one cylinder modified power saw is?

Another event that strikes us as particularly stupid is the springboard chop. This is easy enough to explain. Basically, a lumberjack contestant is required to chop through a twelve inch block attached to the top of a nine foot upright log.

In order to get to the block on top of the nine foot log, the lumberjack must cut slots into the log and slam a two-by-four plank into them.

They then stand on top of the planks to get to the block. Well, this takes the cake for general stupidity. Why would a lumberjack want to cut a tree down nine feet above the ground?

The last event that we'll discuss is one that is supposed to test a lumberjack's all around athletic ability, the obsticle pole. A contestant must race up a 36 foot pole, carrying a power saw. At the top of the 36 foot pole the lumberjack must sever an eight inch block using the saw, and must then race back down the pole. One little rule that mystified us was the one that stated if a contestant were to fall from the pole, he would be disqualified. If a contestant fell from a 36 foot pole, we doubt he would be worried about disqualification. Where did they think this up? A 36 foot pole and a power saw? Crack has hit the rural parts of America, watch out!

That's it for this week. We don't think you can handle any more wildly exciting lumberjack events.

Maybe Nike will sponsor the lumberjack dream team? Or MTV will do the Rock 'n Jock lumberjack challenge. We can't wait.

If cutting trees is a sport, when do we stop? Do we stop at cutting hair? We can just see it, an Olympic event in 2012, barbering!

When we were kids our sports heroes were "Air" Jordan and "Doc" Gooden. Are the heros the next generation going to be "Big 'Ole" Hickerson and "Fatman" Jackson? Chop wood.

Men's basketball season ends in disputed game

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pointer and being fouled.

As Muhlenberg continued to creep back into the game, Swarthmore's center Aaron Bond fouled out with less than five minutes left in the game giving the Mules a break. However, the Mules could not capitalize as they continued to be manhandled inside. They were out rebounded 37-29, including twelve Tide offensive rebounds. Schall lead the Swarthmore in rebounds with eleven.

The Mules struggled in other areas in the second half. They shot only 33.3% from the floor. Also, center Jim Doumato could not get his game going as he had during the regular season scoring only three points in the game.

Although Muhlenberg will miss the playoffs for the first time since the Centennial Conference was created six years ago, there were many bright spots for the team. They finished 15-10 overall, 8-6 in the Centennial.

Junior Michael Queenan was named to the All-Centennial Conference first-team and sophomore Jim Doumato was named the Centennial Conference Academic Honor Roll.

The team returns its entire starting line-up next year. Guard Mark Morrison, Queenan, junior forward Matt Henrich, Schneider, and Doumato look to go deep into the playoffs next year.

Head Coach Dave Madiera is working on fund-raising for the team's trip to Germany and Austria this summer.

Your Student Body Meeting is coming March 17. What do you want to talk about? Send ideas to box 2471

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Time runs out for Muhlenberg men's basketball season

Timing controversy damages the Mules' chances to make playoffs for the sixth consecutive year

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

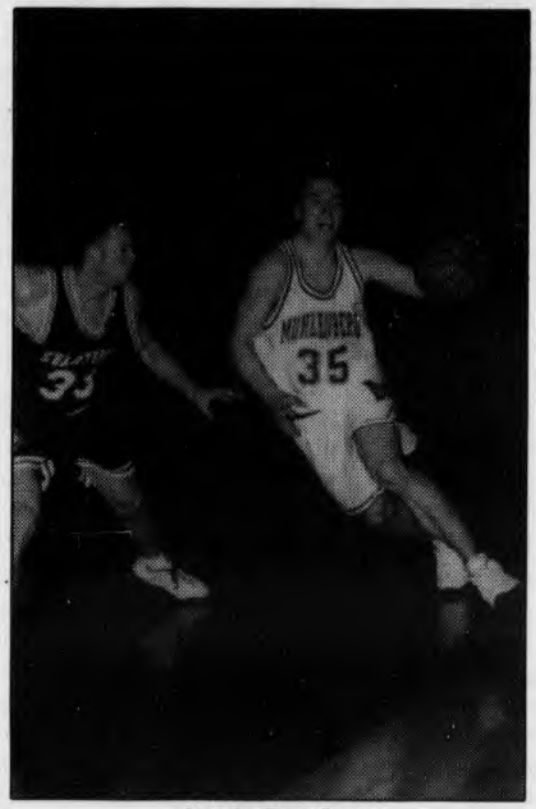
The Muhlenberg men's basketball team looked to make the playoffs for the sixth consecutive season Monday night. However, the Mules fell short in a regular season tie-breaker game against the Swarthmore Garnet Tide 70-67 at Memorial Hall, before a crowd of 547.

The game was filled with controversy, the largest of which came in the last seconds of the game. With the Mules trailing by four, Matt Schneider put a lay-up through the hoop with four seconds to go in the game. According to NCAA rules the clock should stop on any basket in the last minute of play. The clock did not stop and the buzzer sounded to end the game.

After a lengthy discussion by the officials, four seconds were placed back on the clock. After a time-out, Swarthmore inbound the ball with a two-point lead. However, when the ball was inbound, the clock didn't start right away.

Muhlenberg eventually fouled Colin Convey. The clock had three seconds on it. After another long discussion, the officials decided to knock the clock down to two seconds and send Convey to the free throw line for the double bonus.

Convey hit the first free throw giving the Tide a three-point lead. He missed the second and Muhlenberg's Matt Schneider picked up the rebound and his full-court shot was no good, sealing the 70-67 win for Swarthmore. The Garnet Tide will travel to West Division champion Johns Hopkins on Wednesday. In the other conference semi-final Dickinson will travel to East Division champion Washington (Maryland).



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Muhlenberg had jumped off to a quick start. They lead the Garnet Tide 7-2, two minutes into the game. The run was capped by Michael Queenan's three pointer.

The Mules were on fire from the outside in the first half. Muhlenberg hit seven of eleven three-point attempts in the first half for 63.6%. Queenan hit three of them and first-year player Chris Kenny hit two.

After Kenny's second three-pointer, the Mules jumped out to an eight point lead with 8:30 remaining in the first half.

However, Swarthmore would not go away. Pounding the inside with senior center Aaron Bond and forward Ben Schall, the Tide managed to stay in the game. Bond's fourteen and Schall's twelve first-half points were not enough as the Tide trailed 37-33 at the half.

The Mules could not hold their lead in the second half. After Matt Schneider hit a field goal thirty seconds into the half, the Mules went on a drought. They did not hit a field goal for the next ten minutes of play.

During that time, the Mules went from a six-point lead to a nine-point deficit. That was when Bryan Schurmann ignited the team by hitting a three-

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Lady Mules beat conference rival Ursinus 79-69

Balanced scoring helps Muhlenberg stage come-from-behind win and capture conference title

by C.J. Lenat
Sports Editor

The Muhlenberg College women's basketball team beat the Ursinus Bears by a score of 79-69 last Saturday in the last regular season game of the year.

The win against Centennial Conference rival Ursinus secured a spot in the playoffs for the Mules.

The win did not come easy, however. At halftime, Ursinus held a commanding 11 point lead, 33-22, but in the second half, the Mules bounced back, scoring a whopping 57 points to take the lead and the win.

Balanced scoring was the key to Muhlenberg's success.

Four out of five starters ended up in double figures in scoring.

Freshman guard Amy Sandt led the Mules with 21 points. Sandt also grabbed three rebounds and had three assists in 31 minutes of action.

On Tuesday Sandt was given an honorable mention in the All Centennial Conference voting.

Sophomore guard Sarah Clarke also had a good game, throwing in 17 points while dishing out a team-high five assists, and grabbing four rebounds. Clarke also had two steals, giving her 49 on the year, the most on the team.

Clarke is second on the team is scoring, averaging 12 per game, and is the team leader in assists with 93, tying her for the school single-season record. Clarke only needs one assist Wednesday night for sole posession of the record.

Clarke's well-rounded play all season garnered her second-team All-Conference honors.

Senior captain Eli LaRocca continued the consistent play that made her the team leader all season on Saturday with 14 points, three rebounds, and three steals.

LaRocca was also named to the second team All-Conference squad.

The Mules finished the regular season with four players averaging over 10 points per game: LaRocca, Clarke, Sandt, and Jill Roth.

LaRocca averaged a double-double this season, with 12.2 points per game, and 10 rebounds.

The Lady Mules go into Wednesday's playoff game against Gettysburg with a 16-7 regular season record, 13-2 in the Centennial Conference.

If Muhlenberg wins Wednesday night, they play Saturday night at home at 7:30.

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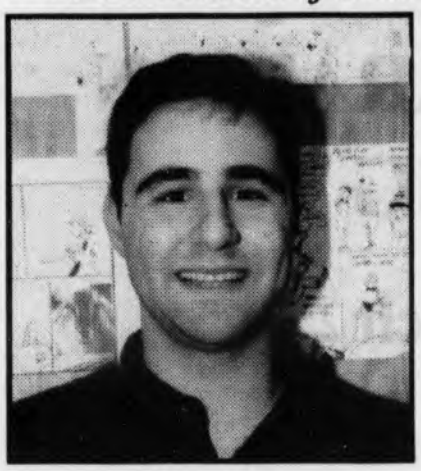
Student Body President Election to be held on Monday

Vice-President of Student Council David Silber will square off against Weekly editor Jay Faigenbaum



Jay Faigenbaum

I'm not going to ramble on about how I want to make this place great, instead I would like to outline some very specific goals I would implement in the upcoming year and inform you about some of my experiences that qualify me for this job. How many of you feel as if Council does nothing that really affects your lives here at Muhlenberg in a significant way? I feel it is time to end this inactivity and work on some very specific objectives.

One of my objectives would be to revisit the way the College assigns course units with the appropriate members of the administration. It is obvious to anyone who has taken a class which meets more than three hours per week, and especially those which contain labs, that they require more time and more effort. Subsequently, students enrolled in these classes should be given more than the one course unit currently awarded because they are in class longer and typically get more work.

Secondly, I would like to be involved in planning more large-scale campus wide activities. Two years ago, Grease was shown on Brown Beach with a large screen. The event drew a huge crowd and was extremely popular. I think we should consider showing the movie again since there are two new classes at Muhlenberg now and especially since it is a popular movie which people like to sing along with. I will work with MAC and Becky Grace to help bring more of these events to Muhlenberg.

Anyone who has served on the executive board of a club on campus realizes most clubs have a common problem, a lack of student participants. I would like to help connect the interests of students with clubs. To accomplish this, every freshmen could be given a sheet of paper with every club's name on it at June Advising and be asked to check the organizations they would like to become involved in and get more information about. Upperclassmen will get a sheet in their mailbox but a sheet given to freshman by an advisor has a much better chance of being taken seriously.

Another goal would be to end executive session in our Student Council. Currently, Council can discuss certain matters relating to people in executive session so only Council members can be privy to the conversation. In addition, the way people vote while in executive session is not public record. Executive session is most commonly used in matters of recall, or removing a student from office. I believe the student body as a whole should be given all information that passes through the Council. If an elected official messes up and goes up for recall, it is the student body's right to know. These people were elected by the students, not by Council, and should therefore be responsible to the entire student body. Enough hiding things from the students. Candidates should be aware that when they run and are elected, they will be held accountable to the entire Student Body for their actions.

Communication between student council and the students has been a problem for many years and the prospects for improvement look dim. I have several specific ways in which this topic can be approached. Believe it or not, over half of the student body reads *The Weekly* every week. That presents an opportunity to reach a large number of students on a continual basis. I would make sure that I submitted a letter to the editor every week stating exactly what I have been doing, what Council has been doing, and asking students to get involved in various projects. WMUH is another opportunity to reach students. Maybe it would be possible to have a short statement read about what has been going on in Council and what progress has been made on various projects. To cover all bases, I will type a letter and hand deliver it into every student's mailbox once a month stating exactly what I have done in that month to help the Student Body.

Greek Life has long been a very touchy subject on this campus. It seems like many of the problems from last year have gone away, however, the problems are still lying right below the surface waiting to explode. I would like to become more involved in helping Greek organizations solve problems that arise. I

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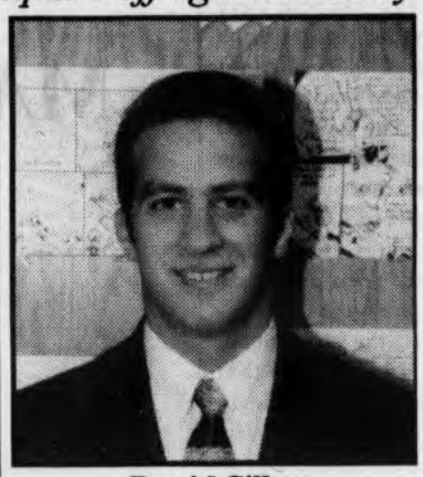

David Silber

A good Student Body President is not only a person with an established past, but also a person with a vision for the future. My name is David Silber and I want to be YOUR Student Body President. I have the experience, knowledge, and motivation to lead our Student Body.

My short term vision for the future will be to accomplish a minimum of the following items:

1. Next year Muhlenberg College is celebrating its 150 year of education. This is a milestone that not many colleges reach. As the only student on the Sesquicentennial Planning Committee I feel I am qualified to lead us at such a crucial time. Without the support of the students, Muhlenberg would have never reached this point in its history. *My goal is to make all students aware of their place in Muhlenberg College history.*

2. Actions speak louder than words. My primary goal will be to personally see that plans start to get followed through with. So often at Muhlenberg both the students and college alike will have big ideas and never act upon them. For example, the plan-in and campus discourse day. These are great events where students have the opportunity to speak freely about intellectual topics and concerns involving society and our college. Students also have had great ideas such as: a campus mini-mart, an on-campus laundry service and a shuttle system to local merchants. These are all things that exist at other schools, so why not here? *We are the students of this college, let's make a difference...*

3. As a Student Body, we are very fortunate to have many natural born leaders. Even though we desire more and should never settle for less, we must recognize those who make a difference. If we continue to encourage and congratulate those members of the Student Body and the College who are active and successful, then we will all be rewarded. *These rewards will come in different ways; for example, bigger bands, better comedians, more famous speakers, and most importantly more campus involvement.*

4. *Muhlenberg College sells itself as the "caring college", we practically preach family; however, animosity does not exist.* Some situations that I have seen be successful in bringing out this image is when the men's soccer team made a bid for the national championship, the student protest, George Clinton, and unfortunately when tragedy strikes. Let us all come together, men and women, Greeks and independants, freshmen and seniors, students and administrators. *It is so simple: if we stand together, work together, then we are all going to be more successful in our college experience.*

5. Lastly, my most important goal. I understand that I am only one out of 1700, and I also understand how this college and its administration works. With that mentality, I am prepared to be your Student Body President. I have been and always will be open-minded and my door will also always be open. I would be willing to scrap every idea of my own for the students of this college. I am seeking an elected position and if elected, *I promise to do my best job in representing and serving the Student Body.*

In conclusion, I believe that a person works their way up to handle a position such as Student Body President. I began on Student Council as a freshman representative. As a sophomore I sat on the Executive Council as Corresponding Secretary. I am currently the Vice President of the Student Body and feel as though I possess the experience, knowledge and motivation to lead the Student Body into its 150th year.

Please elect David Silber as YOUR Student Body President on Monday, March 17, 1997!

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Editorial Board decides not to endorse candidate

Every election year, the editorial board of the *Muhlenberg Weekly* endorses the candidate that we feel is the most fit for the position of Student Body President.

This year we found ourselves in the unique position of having one of those candidates to be our Editor-In-Chief, Jay Faigenbaum.

While the editorial board feels confident in its ability to endorse a candidate impartially, certain questions were raised from the outside of whether we would truly be able to maintain the proper level of objectivity.

After a lengthy debate and discussion, we decided to abstain from issuing an endorsement this year.

In fairness to the two candidates, we felt that it would be unethical to endorse either of them. However, by no means does this suggest that we intended to endorse our Editor.

The *Weekly* staff takes its tradition of endorsing candidates very seriously and it was with much reluctance that we came to this decision. It took us three hours to deliberate after listening to fifteen minute speeches from both candidates. The board then reached a 5-4 vote in favor of withholding our endorsement.

As we have every year, we have printed the platforms of both candidates and hope that the student body will be able to make an informed decision.

We believe that both Dave Silber and Jay Faigenbaum are qualified candidates for the position of Student Body President. The Weekly staff recognizes that the position is an enormous undertaking and a huge responsibility for the candidates to assume. We respect each candidate for their strengths and contributions to the Muhlenberg campus and know that whomever the student body chooses for president will be a strong addition and a powerful, influential and determined leader.

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Student Council Member hopes to eliminate "Executive Session" during upcoming meetings

To the Students,

As a recent member of Student Council I came aboard with a mission, to eliminate Executive Session. The rules are: what is said in "Exec" stays in "Exec", and only members of Student Council are allowed to hear and be a part of the Executive Session discussion.

Executive Session happens mainly when Student Council recalls a member of Council, but also when dealing with other sensitive issues. After being a member of Student Council since early last semester I have opposed every motion to go into Executive Session. I know there is no need for Executive Session for the following reasons:

Members are worried that it will jeopardize privacy. To these members, I would say, do not be on Council. Student Council is there to represent and make decisions for the students.

If you will not even allow the students to hear your opinion on important issues, (because the really important issues like recalling a member are always in Executive Session,) then do not be a member.

How can the students decide if you are truly representing them, if they don't know what the members say or how they vote? Student Council is not there to make secretive decisions for the Student Body. If you don't want people to hear what you have to say, don't become a member of Student Council.

This is a *public* position. After being a member for almost a year now, and sitting through many Executive Sessions there is nothing that I have seen go on that the Student Body should not know about. There is no wonder that no one goes to Student Council Meetings. Who wants to sit outside the meeting room for a half hour (minimum) while Student Council discusses whether they should recall a Member who is supposed to be representing the person sitting behind the closed doors.

Another opposition to the elimination of Executive Session was that some members of Council felt that students would see that we are not in unity on issues. Students would see that we disagree, and would not see all the work Council does. To that I respond, GOOD!!! There are 27 members of Student Council and nobody on this campus honestly thinks that we will all agree on pressing issues all the time. That is ridiculous.

To the Council members who feel this is an issue, I would urge them not to fear diversity, but to embrace it. I beg students to form their own opinions of what Council does. Even if students think that all we do is meet on a Thursday night to disagree, it is their prerogative!

Furthermore, no where in the Student Council Constitution does it state Council must go into Executive Session.

While the constitution does not say anything in favor or against it, it blatantly opposes such a practice according to Article II, Section 8 of the Student Council Constitution. This states: "Therefore, under no circumstance may anyone's freedom of expression be compromised for any reason, unless that particular form of expression infringes upon basic rights as guaranteed by the United States Constitution."

This blatantly goes against the rules of Executive Session, because no one can discuss what goes on outside of "Exec."

Finally, the students that Council is supposed to represent cannot freely express their opinions because they are not allowed in the "Exec" meeting. I am asking that we prohibit Executive Session.

Come to the Student Council Meeting this Thursday night at 7 on the third floor Haas Building, Conference Center. This issue will be debated and voted on. If this does pass, (and my best guess is that it won't,) it will be voted on at the **Student Body Meeting** this Monday, March 17.

Either way, this will be thoroughly discussed at *your* **Student Body Meeting**. Students, this is *your* governing body and you are being excluded. Help change that.

Contact your Representatives, class officers, or your Student Body President and tell them what you think. Ask those running for the position of Student Body President their opinions.

Sincerely,
Lauren Ravit
Class of 1998 Representative

Council announces Student Body Meeting

To the Muhlenberg Community,

On March 17, *your* **Student Body Meeting** will take place in the CA. Since January, there have been signs up asking for student input on the agenda for the **Student Body Meeting**. However, since Student Council received no answers, we are forced to proceed with the agenda that we previously put together. Student Council wanted to provide the Muhlenberg Community with the agenda before the meeting so that we are all prepared for the meeting. Student Council comprised the following itinerary for the event: an IFC/Panhel report provided by Brian Mauro, a concert board update, class reports, the Union problems (read: food), and the issue of Executive Session. (See attached letter concerning Executive Session.) The **Student Body Meeting** has always provided an atmosphere for Student Council to (re-)connect with the students they represent. Unlike the other meetings in the past, this meeting will not be set up like a Student Council Meeting. Student Council *has* noticed the lack of interest in their meetings and has decided that *your* **Student Body Meeting** will be less formal. Student Council is excited about the upcoming **Student Body Meeting** and is looking forward to seeing the entire student body there.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of
Student Council,
Lauren Ravit
Class of 1998 Representative

Dr.Jim Bloom replies to last issue's Discourse Day article

To the Editor:

No Weekly article in recent years has pleased me more than Larry Carney's "Success of Discourse Day Depends on Panel." As a professional writer and a day-to-day teacher of writing, I commend the obvious care Carney took in producing a near-model compare/contrast essay. I found particularly impressive his careful use of detail to support his assertions.

His directness, his willingness to be critical without hiding behind the anonymity of the countless evaluation questionnaires that provide the campus with the illusion of quality control, deserves everyone's praise. So does his refreshing dissent from the deterioration of the Weekly into a Public Relations Release Digest during the 1990s.

One distracting confusion, however, clouds his otherwise exemplary critique of Discourse Day. In invidiously contrasting the two sessions he attended—the sampling from which he drew his conclusions—Carney never clarified whether he was aiming his critique at Discourse Day policies or the personalities involved. (A thoroughgoing pillorying of my own personal flaws, which seemed to be one of Carney's aims, would require far more pages than an entire semester of Weeklies furnishes and would probably interest only the most avidly voyeuristic audience.)

With further investigation, the sort of legwork all reputable reporters undertake, Carney would have learned that the leader-panel arrangement he decried emerged from a Discourse Day Planning Committee composed of students, faculty, and administrators. All three constituencies worked hard to produce a formula that I felt duty-bound to honor. Had I been free to impose my own format, it would have closely resembled the format Carney praised. It would have derived from the setup in effect every Monday morning in my 300-level classes: A trio of students takes charge of the class while I sit among the rest of students and participate in exactly the way I want every class member to participate; hence I found it ironic that Carney accused me of "lecturing." Amidst his harsh accusations, Carney never got around to making up his mind as to whether the problem with my session, "Drugs, Sex, and Derivatives," resided in the session's unruliness, since he charges me with "interruption," or in its overorderliness, since he fretted about my encouraging participants to wait their turn.

Since the high point of his preferred session, Andy Scappaticci's "Advise and Consent," seemed to be Robin Williams' performance in Dead Poet's Society, I suspect that Carney's main complaint has to do mostly with my failure to be Robin Williams' or to act like the kind of book-vandalizing teacher Williams' plays in Peter Weir's 1990 classic of anti-intellectual manipulativeness. Carney's allegiance to the pseudo-pedagogy that Weir's movie promotes seems reflected in the way he measures the "success of Discourse Day" according to how well-treated he felt rather than according to what—if anything—he may have learned at the sessions he attended. Carney can take comfort in knowing that his preference for therapeutic cosseting has far more mainstream appeal than my discomfiting occupational affinity for provocative dialectic.

My own long and rewarding experience with Muhlenberg students over the past two decades made Carney's selection of Robin Williams' Dead Poets persona as his touchstone for beneficent pedagogy especially visible and ironic. It reminded me of an exchange I had seven years ago with a trio of class-of-1991 ATO brothers, who took most of my advanced literature classes together. In August 1990, they returned to Muhlenberg after the summer release of Dead Poets Society and, in the innocent belief that I'd feel flattered, ebulliently informed me that all of them, upon viewing Dead Poets Society in their separate suburbs, immediately "thought 'Dr. Bloom' the whole time we were watching the movie." They phoned one another to share their epiphany as soon as they got home from the movie.

Carney seems to have been so upset over the absence of audio-visual aids and solicitude toward his feelings in the "Sex, Drugs, and Derivatives" session that he attended that he forgot to listen or maybe he just forgot to jot down the open question that all my "interruptions" aimed to bring the discussion back to, the question Michael Moore challenged us with in October: "Shouldn't sincere 'free-market' advocates support legal crack selling?" At the third session of our panel, my efforts to keep this question in play provoked exasperation from Professor Heitman, who complained about my doggedness in striving to turn the conversation back to the question at hand. Carney's refusal to quote from my panel (but not from Scappatcci's) and Carney's inattention to the panel's content may be the most revealing strand in his argument. Careful newspaper readers are likely to detect an animus in this glaring asymmetry.

Carney may feel justified in refusing to listen to me or to quote a single phrase from the session he disparaged, but his praise for the heartwarming give and take at "Advise and Consent" makes it odd that he was equally inattentive to his fellow students' views on Discourse Day. For example, one equally critical student reaction that I heard contrasts sharply with Carney's complaint that "Drugs, Sex, and Derivatives" was insufficiently "open-ended." This student, who also attended this panel, complained to me afterward that she found it too open-ended. She tactfully bemoaned the very lack of structure and closure, the excess of which Carney found so disappointing. This contrast indicates the extent to which interviewing other participants might have enhanced Carney's credibility as a reporter and focused his article more sharply on facts rather than feelings.

These venial lapses notwithstanding, Carney's observations deserve respectful consideration by the 1998 Discourse Day planning group. I'm eagerly looking forward to witnessing the results of this consultation and the incorporation of Carney's concerns in next February's program.

Sincerely,
Jim Bloom

Faigenbaum's platform

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would like to attend both IFC and Panhell meetings in order to be fully aware of any situations that are being discussed. Then, I will assist these organizations in any way possible to diffuse problems and help strenghthen the Greek system.

Also, I would like to make sure that the move to exhibit student art in Seegers continues and comes into existence because it would be a huge step towards making it more of a student union.

I also plan on once again changing the makeup of Council's committees. I think one or two people are only needed for the Academic Committee and the Athletics Committee. These few representatives could then report back to the entire Council. The remaining members could be working on specific projects. For example, two or three could work on the activity sheet to be given to the freshman and another few can help me write a proposal to alter the credit system. It would provide for a much more efficient system in which more progress could be made.

These are just a few of my ideas. The one point I would like to stress the most is that I will pursue any projec which the students feel is important. If you think my ideas oare dumb and would like to propose your own, I would gladly drop mine and pursue what the student body wants me to.

I feel I have the necessary qualifications for the job of Student Body President. This past year, I served as Editor-in-Chief of *The Muhlenberg Weekly*. When I inherited the paper, it had one other staff member and was extremely close to folding. I worked hard to keep the paper alive last semester and this semester have made improvements in both quantity and quality. I have learned how to lead a staff efficiently and motivate people to do their best work. It cannot be said that *The Weekly* staff does nothing. This is obvious because a paper is printed every week. That is the type of standard I would like to use for Council, accomplish something every week.

I have also been involved in student government since freshman year. I have served as my class treasurer for two years. During that time, I have learned how the student bank works. Since one of Council's main jobs is to allocate money, it helps that I have been through the allocation process several times and know how it should run. I have also served as an officer of the Residence Hall Association.

Currently, I am working on a project to increase morale on this campus. I am chairing a committee which is setting up a Student Leader of the Week program. This program will honor one senior who has added to the Muhlenberg Community. If successful, I would like to see another committee set up to honor outstanding student athletes every week.

From my experiences in student government and especially from the newspaper, I have developed a great working relationship with the administration. I am not saying I am someone who gives into what the administration says, but in order to get anything major accomplished, their support is necessary. Therefore, my close wokring relationshipo with them will help me to achieve my goals.

I feel that I have the experience, the ideas, and the motivation to make a great Student Body President. It is time to elect a true leader who has a specific agenda and cares about issues which are really important. It is time to end the virtual stand-still in our Student Council and electing me will send that message loud and clear. When you go to the polls on Monday, vote for a change - vote JAY for Student Body Preisdent.

NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament

We have compiled the staff's Final Four picks for the upcoming tournament. The team with the * is the team that should walk away with the National Championship.

Larry : Utah, Cincinnati, North Carolina, Kansas*

C.J. : Kentucky, Cincinnati, North Carolina*, Kansas

Brett: Wake Forest, Cincinnati, North Carolina, Kansas*

Mark : Kentucky, Cincinnati, North Carolina, Kansas*

Lauren : Wake Forest, UCLA*, North Carolina, Kansas

Brian : Kentucky, UCLA, North Carolina, Kansas*

Melissa : Georgetown, UCLA, UMass, Duke*

Don't forget to Vote on Monday, March 17 for Student Body President. Voting will be held in the lobby of Seeger's Union. Make sure you have your I.D. with you!!

Voice your opinion...
Monday, March 17 is your Student Body Meeting at 3:00p.m. in the Empie Theater of the CA.

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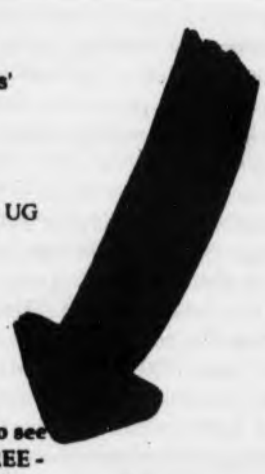

Thursday, March 13
4 pm - Lacrosse vs CCC
5:30 pm - Jewish Film:'Brighton Beach Memoirs'
8 pm - CFE Speaker: Paul Levine - CH

Friday, March 14
9 pm - MAC Movie: 'Police Academy' - RDC
9-11 pm - RHA Coffeehouse: 'The Invisible Third' - UG

Saturday, March 15 - AIDS BENEFIT DAY
2 pm - Lacrosse vs Hartwick
9 pm - Cabaret - GR
9 pm - Movie: 'Philadelphia' - RDC

Sunday, March 16
9:30 am - 7:30 pm - Bus Trip to Philadelphia to see St. Patrick's Day Parade - First 45 students FREE - SIGN-UP IN STUDENT ACTIVITIES OFFICE
5:30 pm - Jewish Film: 'Biloxi Blues' - RDC
8 pm - Wallenberg Lecture - ET

Monday, March 17 - St. Patrick's Day
9 am - Eating Disorder Speaker - RDC
4 pm - Author Reception - Library
4 - 5:30 pm - Student Body Mtg
8 pm - Eating Disorder Panel - GR

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19
3 P.M. - Baseball Vs. Moravian
4:30 P.M. - Film "Fiddler on the Roof" RDC
8:00 P.M. - Lenten Worship Service - CH

Thursday, March 20 - 7:30 pm - Humanities Speaker SU 108/109

FRIDAY, MARCH 21
7:00 P.M. - Multicultural Event - BH
8:30 P.M. - Brett Adolff (2000) Unplugged - RDC
10:30 P.M. - MAC Movie: "Police Academy" - RDC

SATURDAY, MARCH 22
12:00 P.M.-Baseball vs. Gettysburg
1:00 P.M.-W Tennis vs. Gettysburg
8:00 P.M.-Best Buddies Ball - GR
9:00 P.M.-MAC Hypnotist: Sami Dare - RDC
10:00 P.M.-MAC Movie:"Nutty Professor -RDC
FREE GAME NIGHT IN THE GAME ROOM

Sunday, March 23 - PALM SUNDAY
4 pm - College Choir - CH

MONDAY, MARCH 24
5:30 P.M. - Film "Brighton Beach Memoirs" - RDC

TUESDAY, MARCH 25
2:30 P.M. - Softball vs. Dickinson
3:00 P.M. - W Tennis vs F&M
3:00 P.M. - Baseball vs. Albright
4:00 P.M. - Lacrosse vs. Haverford
7:30 P.M. - CFE Speaker

Wednesday, March 26
8 pm - Brown Lecture - RH

THURSDAY, MARCH 27
3:00 P.M. - M Tennis vs. Brew
3:30 P.M. - Lacrosse vs. Dickinson
Easter Recess Begins End of Class

Friday, March 28 - Good Friday
2:30 pm Softball vs Washington

Monday, March 31
5:30 pm - Jewish Film: 'Biloxi Blues'

FYI --- SUNDAY, APRIL 6
Bus Trip to New York City - Drop off in Theatre District
Students - $10
Staff or Guest - $15
Register and receive more info in Student Activities Office

All movies in the Red Door Cafe unless listed.

Do not forget to sign up for the St. Patrick's Day Parade in the Student Activities Office.

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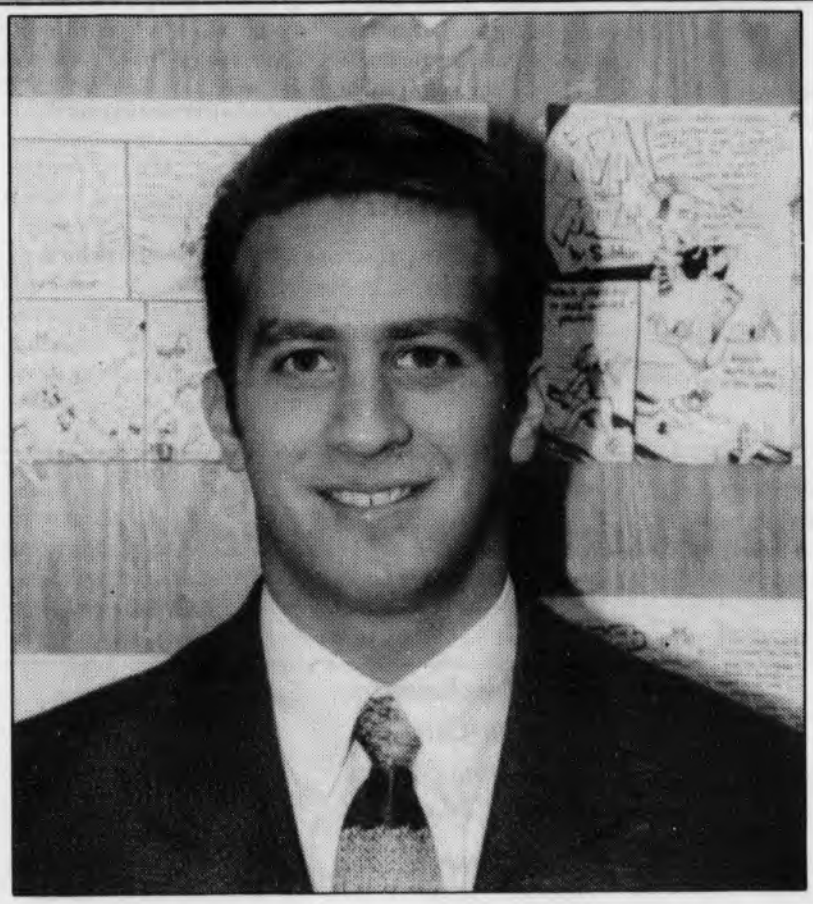


Silber elected President in election featuring high voter turnout

Voter turnout increases by over sixty students from last year

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

David Silber was elected the new Muhlenberg Student Body President. He defeated Jay Faigenbaum in Monday's election.

The election produced a high voter turnout. Turnout was even higher than last year, during the most controversial election in recent memory.

"We had a great turnout. Officially, we had 453 students come out and vote. This compares to the 387 voters we had last year," said Ayla Tezel. Tezel stepped in as the director of the election. The vice-president normally runs the election, but since Silber is the vice-president, he had to step down because of conflicting interests.

"I was very excited about the high turnout and thanks to the student body for the opportunity that they have given me." Silber said.

Silber also pointed out that nominations for other Student Council positions open this week. Election day for those positions is scheduled for Monday, April 7.

"I would like to encourage people to run. I look forward to working with members of council. I would like to create more of an open process. I think we are taking a step in the right direction." Silber said.

Silber is also willing to prepare letters to *The Weekly* updating the student body on events that are taking place in Council.

He added, "Hopefully, I will use *The Weekly* and other resourses to achieve the goals that I have set for myself and new council."

Silber also encouraged any students to contact him if any thoughts or concerns arise during his term as Student Body President.

Executive Session Amendment passed at Student Body Meeting

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

The Muhlenberg Student Body Meeting produced an amendment to Council's Constitution. The amendment concerned Executive Session. Council member Lauren Ravit publicly denounced the idea of unexcused Executive Sessions in last week's *Weekly*. She wanted to eliminate Executive Session altogether. Executive Session occurs when Council would like to discuss an issue closed from non-members. Anything discussed in Executive Session may not be placed in the minutes. Executive Session has been used in all recall cases.

Ravit ran into opposition, however. Most Council members believe Executive Session is necessary because of possible violations of the rights of privacy. These members felt that there were cases in which it was in the best interest of the student body to not eliminate Executive Session all together.

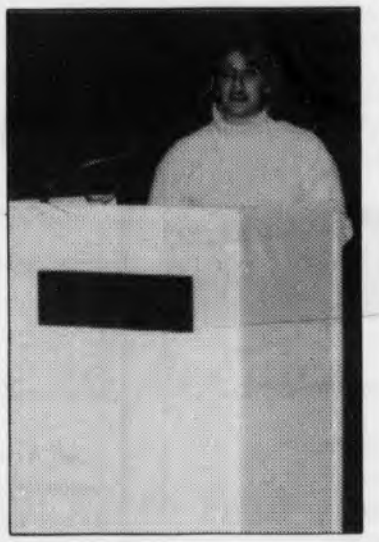
President Elect David Silber helped with the proposed motion which compromised the two sides. The amendment requires anyone requesting a move to Executive Session to present a reason, before voting on it. Thisencourages further discussion and debate so that Council members make more informed, responsible decisions.

The amendment passed at the Student Body Meeting with 59 students voting in favor of the amendment, 2 students, Jay Kaduson and Russ Adams, voting against the amendment and one student, Deb Benson, abstaining.

The Dining Committee reported the opening of the East Side Eatery. The new eatery is now open for lunch Monday through Thursday and is located underneath the Fitness Loft in the Life Sports Center.

Jamie Hollender also reported that there is a push to make the Flex program more popular. This will alleviate the pressure that the Dining facilities currently face.

Junior Lisa Grandinetti argued, "Our dining facilities are crowded because our meal plan is too structured. We are trapped in this meal plan by Wood and it restricts our possibilities."



Concert Board Co-chairperson Shethir Mustafa reported that the bid for Rusted Root and the three bids for Live were all turned down. The Board is currently looking for other possibilities. If a concert fails for this semester, the Board intends to have yet a concert next semester.

Each class council presented a report on their fundraising projects.

Sophomore Stefan Miller then discussed the possibility of bus trips around the city for those students without cars on campus. Plans are in the work for this project.

The meeting was a little disappointing for many council members. Only 62 students attended the meeting, which did include an amendment to the Constitution.

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News Digest

courtesy of The New York Times
compiled by Lauren Casa
News Editor

President Boris Yeltsin filled the senior ranks of the Russian Cabinet with economic reformers today, making good on his pledge to overhaul his Government and quicken the pace of economic change. The shake-up is aimed primarily at reviving a stalled economic program that has created fertile ground for Mr. Yeltsin's political opponents.

Elderly people in health maintenance organizations often find that they cannot obtain the medical services they need because H.M.O.'s limit their ability to appeal adverse decisions on treatment. The inspector general of the Department of Health and Human Services said that many Medicare beneficiaries were never informed of their appeal rights. Many H.M.O.'s do not fully comply with Federal rules for handling appeals and grievances.

Anthony Lake withdrew his nomination to be Director of Central Intelligence today, telling President Clinton that he could no longer tolerate endless delays that were damaging the intelligence community, people's reputations and the body politic. Mr. Lake notified President Clinton saying that he was sick of being "a dancing bear in a political circus." Lake's decision was a victory for Senate opponents, who attacked his integrity during the confirmation hearings.

Secretary General Kofi Annan outlined the first detailed, concrete plans for streamlining the United Nations in the hope of polishing its image, solving its financial problems and persuading Congress to authorize spending for about $1 billion in unpaid American dues. The proposals deal mainly with management and organizational matters that fall under the Secretary General's personal authority.

The Central Intelligence Agency has opened an internal investigation into "extremely serious" allegations of improper contacts between the Democratic National Committee and the C.I.A. The investigation seeks to unravel a tangled chain of events that preceded President Clinton's meetings with Roger Tamraz, a major campaign contributor who has done favors for the C.I.A. Tamraz is the subject of an international warrant charging him with a $200 million embezzlement in Lebanon.

Prime Minister John Major called a British national election for May 1. He said he would face his opponent, Tony Blair, the leader of the Labor Party, in televised debates--a first in British politics. Mr. Major trailed Mr. Blair by 25 points in a poll published last week, and the vote is widely expected to end the Conservative Party's 18 years in power.

The Federal judge who will hear the Oklahoma City bombing case against Timothy McVeigh denied a motion by his lawyer to dismiss the indictment, postpone the trial or move it to another location.

The Government of Canada has told the EPA that its proposals to toughen air quality standards are not stiff enough. American industry, by contrast, says the plans are too demanding.

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Pulitzer-Prize winner reads poetry at Muhlenberg

by Lauren Casa
News Editor

Pulitzer Prize winner Philip Levine read his poetry to students, faculty and community members on March 13. The event was sponsored by Muhlenberg's Center for Ethics and kept with the theme, "A Working Life: Morality in Work and the Moral Place of Work in Life." Levine read from his 1995 Pulitzer Prize winning collection titled "The Simple Truth" as well as other selections from his National Book Award winning series, "What Work Is."

After he read his poem, "Soloing," Levine explained that he "loves the idea of students in a classroom arguing about what [his] poems mean," so he refrained from clarifying what he meant for his poems to convey to the reader. However, hearing Mr. Levine read his own poetry was exciting in itself. One student commented, "there is nothing like hearing a poet read his own work. You can gather what emotions he felt when writing it and sometimes just listening to the tone and diction helps shed light on some of the unclear areas."

Levine went on to say that "reading new poems is one of the greatest pleasures." Some of the poems he read came from his 1991 book, "What Work Is" which won the Los Angeles Times Book Award in Poetry.

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First Student Leader of the Week Named

Shethir Mustafa Honored by Selection Committee

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

The first Muhlenberg Student Leader of the Week has been named and the winner is Shethir Mustafa. Shethir has been a natural leader on the Muhlenberg campus since she first arrived here almost four years ago. She has been involved in a large assortment of activities and has held many leadership positions.

Shethir has been involved in Student Council since freshman year. Although not a representative at that time, she attended almost all of the meetings. At the end of her sophomore year, she was elected to Council and is currently a senior class representative. She has also served on the Board of Associates.

Shethir has been working hard as co-chairman of the Muhlenberg Concert Board where she helps bring big bands to the campus. Shethir has been active in bringing activities to the campus since her freshman year. She also sings in a folk group for Catholic Masses and is an EMT for the state of Pennsylvania.

This summer, when a group of Olympic cyclists decided to stay at Muhlenberg, she served as coordinator. In addition, she has worked in housing as both a Resident Advisor and as an assistant in the Housing and Residence Life Office.

Shethir has also served as a work-study in the Dean of Students Office for two years and recently moved to the Student Activities Office. She feels her experiences working on campus have been helpful in making her a leader. She commented, "It helped me become more informed of what students want. It is the most important aspect on campus."

Shethir feels being a leader is not necessarily about the titles you hold but what you contribute to the community as a whole. She added, "The importance of being a leader is not the title, it's what you did."

She also feels that her personal philosophy has helped her gain leadership experience on campus. She feels it is better to be inclusive not exclusive and it is better to be associated with more than one group.

She concluded by saying, "As members of any community, we have a responsibility to that community. I have tried to exhibit leadership. My leadership style is inherent."

Becky Grace, Director of Student Activities and a friend of Shethir's commented, "Shethir has been an asset to me. She worked with me when I was in Housing and Residence Life and over the summer with summer conferences. I was very happy that she came with me to Student Activities. Shethir is an amazing student and very deserving of this award."

This award, a rebirth of a former award, will honor a senior who has made a difference and been a leader on this campus. The winner is chosen by a panel of five people consisting of three students, the Director of Student Activities and the Greek Coordinator. A nomination form will appear in *The Weekly* each week with the winner and those sheets can be placed in a box that will be on the Seegers desk.

Each winner will be honored with an article and picture in The Weekly and will receive a plaque from the committee. In addition, this semester's recipients will be invited to a dinner at Dean Ehrenberg's house at the end of the semester.

The committee is very interested in getting nomination forms because they do not know all of the leaders on campus. If you know someone who would be deserving of this award, please drop their name in the box for consideration.

Philip Levine reads from his book, *What Work Is*

Famed poet reads his award-winning work

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Levine's humor and great presence were readily accepted. His references to other poets enhanced his own poetry by giving them a broader spectrum.

Levine earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in English Literature from Wayne University and City University of Detroit and in 1957 he earned his master's of fine arts from Iowa State University.

He began publishing poetry in magazines in 1955 including the Antioch Review, Poetry, Hudson Review, Harper's, Atlantic Monthly, Paris Review, Yale Review, Antaeus, New England Review, Gettysburg Review and others. His first book, "On the Edge," won the Joseph Henry Jackson Award.

In 1981, the University of Michigan Press published a collection of interviews titled, "Don't Ask." In 1995, a sequel was published titled, "So Ask," largely composed of essays on poetry.

Among his many awards, Levine received an award of merit from the National Institute of Arts and Letters, the Harriet Monroe Poetry Prize from the University of Chicago, the Elmer Bobst Award in Poetry from New York University and the Frank O'Hara Memorial Prize and the Levenson Award from Poetry magazine.

In 1987, Levine received the Ruth Lilly Award from the Modern Poetry Association and the American Council of the Arts for "distinguished contributions to poetry."

In 1970, Levine was chosen Outstanding Professor at Fresno State and the following year he earned the same honor for the entire state university system. In 1984, Levine served as chair of the literature board of the National Endowment for the Arts.

Levine participated in classes throughout the day while at Muhlenberg. His visit was sponsored by the Center for Ethics and Muhlenberg College's Writers Course and Writers at Muhlenberg Series.

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Panelists discuss eating disorders

by Jenny -Lynn Knotek
Assistant News Editor

Monday started Women's Week , a week designed to focus on problems that women have and how they deal with them. A leading problem in a woman's world, the issue of eating disorders, was the focus of Monday's programs.

In the morning there was a session of body- and self-image, and in the evening there was a panel discussion on eating disorders. Attendance was high, thanks in part to sorority turnout as well as housing and residential advertising.

The panel was headed by Candace Herman, director of KidsPeace National Hospital. She is a clinical social worker, and works with many people who have eating disorders. John Schneider, a nutritionist, also sat on the panel, as well as Maureen Bealman, who returned for her fifth year for eating disorders awareness. She also has her own practice.

A surprising addition to the panel was Jennifer Tustin, housing coordinator of the west side of campus, who is a recovering anorexic. As she said, "everyone would say, 'You look so put together, you get good grades, how could you have an eating disorder?'"

Her problem started when she was sixteen; she was perfect on the outside, yet she felt miserable on the inside. She hated the way she looked. Tustin said she decided to start eating better, "and there's nothing wrong with that." However, there is a fine line between eating better and becoming obsessed. Tustin began keeping track of everything she ate, laying out her eating schedule for a week at a time, and never deviating from that schedule. At one point, she had a book that told her the amount of calories in everything: "I was even counting the calories in lettuce." She was on a diet of 300 calories per day, and, she said, "it was an obsession."

Tustin said that she began to eat again, "to make everyone else feel better." But she hated food; it was a guilt-related process for her to eat meals. She got help, but not after years of pain. As she said, "everyone was telling me what I couldn't see. When I looked in the mirror, I saw the same person I saw when I began," not the skin and bones her friends and family saw.

As the panel opened for questions, the most frequent topic was self-image and self-esteem. Tustin said that approaching a friend with an eating disorder must be done carefully; "they need to be reminded of their worth," she said. "Talk to the person, not the eating disorder."

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Campus Safety Notes

Fire alarms sweep campus

2/18/97 - Vandalism - Brown - glass shattered on south door. Glass was still intact. Campus Safety covered up window

2/20/97 - Trespass - CA West lot - 3 juveniles, returned back to school

2/20/97 - Unsecure Door - Hillside - propped door

2/21/97 - Noise Complaint - Delta Zeta House

2/21/97 - Harassment by Communication - off campus - alumni receiving phone calls from Phone-A-Thon

2/22/97 - Fire Alarm - Prosser - second. No sign of smoke or fire

2/24/97 - Unsecure Property - Hillside

2/25/97 - Vehicle Violation - Front Drive

2/25/97 - Theft - Off Campus - Coat

2/26/97 - Theft - Prosser - items returned, judicial hearing possible

2/27/97 - Vandalism/Social Code Violation - off campus, Cedar Crest College - student drove across lawn, possible criminal charges, case has already been sent to Muhlenberg Judicial Board

2/27/97 - Ethnic Intimidation - Brown - swastika on name tag

2/27/97 - Breaking and Entering - Baker Research Center, Germansville - broke into trailer, nothing of great value missing

2/27/97 - Theft - ML/East Parking Lot - hubcaps stolen off Toyota

2/27/97 - Theft - 23rd St. Lot - hubcaps stolen off car

2/28/97 - Medical Transport - Ettinger - injured employee

2/28/97 - Malicious Mischief - New Prosser - students moved around belongings in room

2/28/97 - Criminal Mischief - MacGregor - damaged screen

2/28/97 - Harassment by Communication - Seegers' Union - message on answering machine, not sexual

3/1/97 - Fire Safety Hazard - Prosser - door covered with flammable material

3/1/97 - Unsecure Property - TKE

3/3/97 - Unsecure Area - Benfer

3/4/97 - Theft - Hillside - fire extinguisher, replaced

3/4/97 - Suspicious Persons - Seegers' Parking Lot - using computers in Commons, banned from property

3/5/97 - Theft - CA - radio from costume shop

3/6/97 - Property Damage - 26th Street - tree fell from windstorm

3/10/97 - Fire Alarm - MacGregor - burnt food

3/11/97 - Disturbance - ML - roommate problem

3/11/97 - Ethnic Intimidation - Brown - swastika found on name tag

3/11/97 - Information - Prosser - someone downloading Web notes with regards to LSD-formulated breakdown

3/12/97 - Fire Alarm - ML - front entrance

3/12/97 - Fire Alarm - East - arson on 1st floor G hall

3/12/97 - Alcohol Violation - Benfer Lot - underage possession of keg

3/12/97 - Vehicle Violation/Possession of College Property

3/12/97 - Unsecure Area - Walz - doors on basement stairs on East side has been propped open 15 times

3/13/97 - Theft - Trexler Library - individual lost $20 and bank card

3/13/97 - Disorderly Conduct - Front Drive - student and officers, judicial board hearing, possible criminal charges

3/13/97 - Theft - Liberty St. - student had vehicle parked between 26th and Glenrock, stereo equipment stolen

3/13/97 - Vandalism - Walz - fire extinguisher broke glass

3/14/97 - Sick Student - Brown - seizures

3/14/97 - Fire alarm - Trexler Library - mechanical room, workers set it off

3/14/97 - Theft - Liberty St. - items stolen from car

3/14/97 - Alcohol Violation - Prosser - underage possession and trespasser, judicial process to follow

3/15/97 - Alcohol Violation - 420 N. 22nd St. - assist outside agency, Jillian Sheeran charged with underage possession of alcohol

3/15/97 - Theft - 26th St. Lot - side-view mirrors from vehicle removed with screwdriver

3/16/97 - Suspicious Persons - Walz - students, two white males, 6 foot, ages 20-24, wearing jeans and flannels walked into room talking about a variety of subjects from religion to music. One said his name was Josh and said he had gone to Muhlenberg. The other was Dan. Photo being waited on

3/16/97 - Quiet Hour Violation - Brown - underage alcohol, judicial board

3/16/97 - Sexual Harassment - ML - by electronic communication

3/16/97 - Motor Vehicle Violation - 407-409 North 23rd St

3/17/97 - Fire Alarm - ML - cigarette smoke, 4th floor outside elevator

***** MUHLENBERG COLLEGE ***** REGISTRATION SYSTEM FOR FALL 1997

PICK UP REGISTRATION PACKETS on Monday, March 31 in the following locations:
Majors: Major One Department Office
Class of 2000/Undeclared: Faculty Advisor's Office
It is essential that you make an appointment with your advisor at the time you pick up your packet.

THE SYSTEM FOR REGISTRATION is designed to be accommodating of student needs. There is time allotted for each class to register and to resolve scheduling problems before the next class registers. Advising is done in faculty offices before, during and after registration. Please read the following instructions carefully.

REGISTRATION BY ALPHABETICAL GROUPINGS
You will register by class and in assigned groups. Each class is divided into four groups determined by the letter of the alphabet (student's last name). You may register anytime during the assigned time and thereafter. The groupings rotate in future registrations.

LOCATION FOR REGISTRATION - OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR
HAAS COLLEGE CENTER (GROUND LEVEL)

CALENDAR FOR REGISTRATION & TIME ASSIGNED TO GROUPS
MONDAY, MARCH 31 - Schedule an appointment with your advisor at the time you pick up your registration packet.

CLASS OF '98 ADVISING PERIOD: Monday, March 31 thru Friday, April 4
CLASS OF '98 REGISTERS:

Monday, April 7	8:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.	Group 1	"S" thru "Z"
	10:30 A.M. to 12 Noon	Group 2	"A" thru "E"
	1:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.	Group 3	"F" thru "K"
	3:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Group 4	"L" thru "R"

CLASS OF '99 ADVISING PERIOD: Monday, March 31 thru Tuesday, April 8
CLASS OF '99 REGISTERS:

Wednesday, April 9	8:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.	Group 1	"F" thru "K"
	10:30 A.M. to 12 Noon	Group 2	"L" thru "R"
	1:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.	Group 3	"S" thru "Z"
	3:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Group 4	"A" thru "E"

CLASS OF 2000 ADVISING PERIOD: Thursday, April 10 thru Tuesday, April 15
CLASS OF 2000 REGISTERS:

Wednesday, April 16	8:30 A.M. to 12 Noon	Group 1	"Sp" thru "Z"
	1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Group 2	"A" thru "D"
Thursday, April 17	8:30 A.M. to 12 Noon	Group 3	"E" thru "G"
	1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Group 4	"H" thru "L"
Friday, April 18	8:30 A.M. to 12 Noon	Group 5	"M" thru "O"
	1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.	Group 6	"P" thru "So"

CHANGES IN REGISTRATION - ALL CLASSES

You may make changes in your registration anytime after the initial registration by consulting your advisor and processing a special drop/add form. It is in your best interest to submit this form to the Office of the Registrar for processing before the next class registers.

NOTE: Any student reported by a professor to be absent from class because of registration will be assigned to the last group in the next registration (November for Spring). We anticipate that student needs will be met in registration.

EVENING COLLEGE NON-DEGREE CANDIDATES REGISTRATION BEGINS: Tuesday, May 20
SENIOR SCHOLARS REGISTRATION: Thursday, August 14, Friday, August 15 and Monday, August 18

SAGE plans campus wide march and speak out

by Aimee Pelletier and Jessica Jackson
Guest writers

In celebration of Women's Week, a Take Back the Night candle-light vigil and speak out is being sponsored by SAGE (Students Advocating Gender Equality). Take Back the Night is an event dedicated to spreading awareness of sexual assault and violence. The candle light march will begin at the chapel and make its way around the campus passing most of the social and living areas. The route is to show that all people involved support the preposition that all people should feel safe to express themselves and to socialize throughout the campus. In the United States today, four women a day are killed by men and every eighteen seconds a woman is battered; meanwhile rape and sexual assault still plague our society while most victims know their assailant before being attacked. These facts are appalling and paradoxical to the principles of our civilization. As a college, we hope to help rid society of these atrocities and plan on spreading our idea of equality and ease throughout the campus.

Men and women are invited to meet in front of the chapel at 9:00, Thursday, March 20, for the march. Following the march, we will reconvene in the chapel for a speak out. There we invite anyone interested to share personal experience, feelings on the subject, poetry, prose, or facts with the campus. Freda Rafes of the Allentown Crime Victims Council will also speak out about sexual violence. We urge you to attend and show that you too want to see and end to sexual assault and violence on this campus, and throughout the United States.

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Dynamics join other bands in Coffeehouse performance

by Annie Karls
Guest Writer

For everyone who likes variety in their music, last Friday's RHA Coffeehouse was certainly for them. Scheduled entertainment for the evening was the Dynamics, The Dreamers and The Invisible Third.

Parents and students filled the seats up to an hour in advance. From eight to ten, the Dynamics and The Dreamers sang acapella songs to make the audience laugh, cry and sigh. The Dreamers of Phi Mu Alpha, a music fraternity at Penn State, made a stop here at Muhlenberg during their Spring Tour. Alternating with the Dynamics, The Dreamers sang famous tunes such as Brown-Eyed Girl, Blue Moon, and Unchained Melody. As always, the Dynamics entertained the audience with songs such as Killing Me Softly, The Scottsman (everyone' favorite), and ending with I Will Survive.

Kicking off the second part of the evening, Dan BeBlasio '99 and Adam Matyseck '99 took the floor as The Invisible Third. Their music, a combination of techno and rock, was aided by a computer and Adam's guitar playing. Dan, normally a reserved guy, came out of his shell and impressed the audience with his stylized vocalization, in songs such as Radio Tapping, The Judges, and Between People. Friday's Coffeehouse was not The Invisible Third's first performance; they also played at Open Mic Nite last fall.

"Overall, the evening was a success and we were excited about the large turnout," stated Beth Rowley, the president of RHA.

The next Cofeehouse will be another Open Mic Nite on April 4 from 9-11 in the Underground.

Student speaker talks on overcoming eating disorders

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Fieldman gave a few warning signs of a person with an eating disorder. The most common is compulsive exercise. "They are the ones who go to the gym everyday, seven days a week, for an hour at the least each day."

Other signs are heavy focus on food and calories, perfectionism (or, at the other extreme, a loss of control in their life), and excuses for not eating.

Tustin said that when she came to college, she could get away with the excuse of being "a picky eater. . .Oh, I don't like that, oh, no, I don't eat this; but they didn't know that I used to like it and don't now."

For bulimia, watch for those who excuse themselves during a meal to use the bathroom. Fieldman said, "You will usually hear the water faucet running, to cover the sound of vomiting."

Herman said that parents with eating disorders will have children with disorders, as well. The children need to gain courage to be the way they are, and not develop similar problems. Herman advised counseling for people in this situation.

The panel made several suggestions on how to achieve positive body image. Tustin said to avoid comparing yourself to other people; find the positive in yourself. If you need to, ask your friends - "they are your friends for a reason" - and don't focus on small problems. People look at you as a whole, not as individual legs, arms, and stomach.

Also, desensitize yourself from role-models in magazines. "You can't compare yourself to the 5% of the population that may be able to look like the fashion magazine covers," Herman said.

The issue of healthy eating on campus also arose. John, who once worked for the Muhlenberg food service, said that looking at your food intake over a week is better than looking at individual meals. Food is needed for growth and energy. Tustin, who did not eat much towards the lowest point of her anorexia, found herself blacking out because she did not have enough energy to even stand up.

An interesting point that Fieldman and Herman both made, and which Tustin attested to, was that most people with eating disorders will slip in and out of their disorders after recovery, especially under stress. This is normal, but the important step is catching yourself quickly enough, and knowing not to slip into the full-blown disorder again.

Women's week continues throughout the week, with various films and discussions, ending on Thursday with "Take Back the Night and Speak Out," which will begin in front of the Chapel at 9 PM. The week is sponsored by the Women's Studies Program, S.A.G.E.; Eating Disorders Awareness Day by the counseling center, and Peer Programming.

Phi Sigma Sigma
Congratulates

Amy Leavitt & Nicole Hanson

on intiation, you made it! We love you and are proud to call you *sister*.

Reminder to Students!!

College policy states that after the 9th week of the semester, no course may be dropped except for medical reasons certified by the Director of Student Health or the Director of Counseling.

Withdrawal Deadline:
MONDAY, MARCH 24

After this date, unofficial withdrawal results in a grade of "F."

Tim Allen swings into theaters in Disney's Jungle 2 Jungle

Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) ★★★
Touchstone Pictures
Movie Review by John Saverino

Tim Allen stars as a super-achiever in the New York financial world, whose life is suddenly turned upside down when he discovers he has a 13 year-old son Mimi-Siku (Sam Huntington) ***Photo courtesy of Disney***

Cultures clash and lessons of fatherhood are revealed in the hilarious Disney comedy, ***Jungle 2 Jungle.***

Tim Allen stars as Michael Cromwell, a successful commodities trader, who is engaged to marry Charlotte (Lolita Davidovich).

Before he can marry Charlotte, he must first finalize his divorce to his estranged wife Dr. Patricia Cromwell (JoBeth Williams).

This brings Michael deep into the rain forests of the Amazon where Patricia has been residing since they had separated.

When he arrives he makes a rather startling discovery. Michael finds out that he has a son, Mimi-Siku (Sam Huntington), who has been raised by tribesmen in the Amazon jungle.

Upon meeting his son for the very first time, Michael agrees to take him to his jungle, New York City, when he becomes a man. He expects that this will not be anytime soon, but his son engages in a tribal ceremony that evening which ironically celebrates his son's initiation into manhood.

Michael reluctantly keeps his promise and Mimi-Siku travels to the city that never sleeps.

Of course Mimi-Siku cannot go without his pet tarantula (Myteka).

Movie-goers can expect a roller-coaster of laughs as Michael attempts to Americanize Mimi-Siku and even teach him polite manners such as not to eat his fiancée's cat.

Mimi-Siku's pet tarantula also adds memorable scenes to the movie as the spider crawls his way into a heap of trouble nearly causing Michael's fiancée's to have a heart-attack.

Michael becomes frustrated by his son's resistance to the American way, but he also forms a bond with him, and begins to adopt some of his son's primitive ways.

This proves to be quite comical as he tests his skill with blow darts, and instead of mastering the ability to kill a fly with a dart, like his son, he ends up hitting his boss in the back of his head.

Tim Allen fans will surely want to see this movie. His special brand of humor that has attracted audiences nationwide in the hit television series, Home Improvement, is equally evident in ***Jungle 2 Jungle.***

All in all, ***Jungle 2 Jungle*** is a movie for all ages, especially for future dads.

Consult the Mule..... Your Weekly Horoscope

by Jennifer Zwirn and Sherry Fazio

Aries (March 21 - April 19)
Hey Aries, well you sure have been the definition of "attitude" lately. What is up with this new "I think I'm better than everyone" way of life?! There isn't much time left in this semester and soon you'll be missing all your friends here, so how about knocking that chip off your shoulder and putting a smile on your face?! Despite whatever hardships you may be facing now - you should be aware of the fact that everyone else has problems, too. Instead of making yourself a permanent resident in the land of "I hate everything," talk to your friends rather than using them as a sounding board for your constant attitude and complaints. Look on the bright side of everything and before you know it. . .you'll find yourself with very little to complain about.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
Wow! Things are really looking pretty good lately, huh? Well, why not?! After all, you've been waiting for this for a long time and now it is all at your finger tips. Just a quick word of advice. . .be sure you don't mistake what has come your way as a little quickie! Your recent opportunities don't happen everyday so be careful not to let them pass you by. Life is all about being in the right place at the right time and you've been lucky enough to be blessed with both. Sometimes things come into your life, hang around for a while, and then go, but this new thing is anything but that. Take things slowly and enjoy all you've come across. Whatever your newfound fortune is, it's definitely a keeper!

Gemini (May 21 - June 21)
Hello. . .Gemini. . .are you there?! It's time to come back, already!! The rest of us have been in school for almost two weeks now, but you appear to still be on some tropical island! We're here to clue you in. . .sad but true. . .spring break is OVER!! Now is the time to put the beach pictures away, pour the sand out of your book bag, and stop your stage of winter denial!! Even though your course load isn't as exciting as your recent week of relaxation with the surfers, just think about all the great things that the rest of second semester has to offer! It's your ticket straight into summer and before you realize it, Gem, you'll find yourself missing all your friends from here! So, until then, enjoy the rest of the year and open a few books! It won't kill you!

Cancer (June 22 - July 22)
Well Cancer, it seems like you've got something on your mind lately but nobody, including you, can put their finger on it. What's up with you?! You do realize that your friends will be around whenever you need them, but very few of them are mind readers! You have to keep in mind that no one, especially your friends, expects you to be absolutely perfect. You have so many wonderful things to offer the world and everybody you meet, but it's important that you always put yourself first. You're known for your amazing devotion to everybody else in your life, but if you aren't happy and okay, then your won't be beneficial to anybody else. So try having a few moments for you today, and worry about the rest of the world later!!

Leo (July 23 - August 22)
Hey Leo - have you ever heard of beating a dead horse. . .well you've been doing it like it's your job lately! What are you trying to prove? Everyone heard all that you had to say the first time. . .there is no need to keep sliding in your two cents on every possible occasion you encounter. Things happen and then they're over. . .there is no need to keep rehashing the past every five minutes just because you have this problem keeping your mouth closed!! You're usually known for being more of the observer type so this new personality twist is exciting but sure to give you trouble, too. So Leo, here's an idea. . .how about finding other things to do with your time or allowing others the opportunity to give their opinion for once?! Either way, you will be doing better than you are now!

Virgo (August 23 - September 22)
So, Virgo, what are you so happy about lately? You sure do resemble the face of a devious little one. It's wonderful to see you in such good spirits, however what have you been doing behind closed doors? Maybe you have too much spare time on your hands or maybe you just enjoy making people wonder what's up with you - either way, your recent expression and moods have been getting people interested. You seem to think that grabbing someone's attention is needed at all times but here's an idea for you, Virgo. . .just be yourself and allow others to notice you on their own. Of course you have to remember that no matter what you do, someone is always watching, so always be ready, but then again you already knew that!!

Libra (September 23 - October 23)
Hey Libra, you seem to have this great interest in the business of everyone except yourself!! Have you ever heard the phrase "busybody" before? This may be something to describe your actions quite accurately lately! You do have great advice and you're a very well-liked person, but if you get too involved in the gossip game, then you may know everyone's business but have nobody left to share it with! This is usually not the goal of most people. You should definitely keep on listening and even providing others with your impressive words of wisdom, but that should be where it ends. If something is important enough, people will find out. . .there is no reason why you should create trouble by making yourself a designated messenger. . think about it the next time you open your mouth!!

Scorpio (October 24 - November 22)
Seems like you've been showing off lately, huh? Ummm, aren't we just a little too much of a Rico Suave wannabe, lately?! Hello. . reality check, Scorpio. . .you don't need to put on an act to impress anybody. You should know this by now. Try being yourself every now and then, OK? People should like you for who you are or not at all. They aren't worth your time if they don't like you for all you have to offer. Sometimes the most important situations are the ones you can't handle yourself, but there is no need to fret because then you get to learn something new. . .after all, isn't that what life is all about?! Next time you come across a nerve-wracking situation, perhaps you ought to take a step back and remember who you are. You'll probably come to find that being yourself all the time is the best way to make your mark in this world!!

Sagittarius (November 23 - December 21)
Do you remember back in the day before Muhlenberg when somebody told you that when you got to college, things would never be the same again.

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Howard Stern shows America his Private Parts

Radio's infamous shock jock is on his way to becoming the "King of All Media"

Private Parts (R)
★★★★
Paramount Pictures
Movie Review by Mike Cuozzo

The most controversial person in the history of radio came out with something that might cause some people to change their opinions of him.

Howard Stern, the self proclaimed "King Of All Media," may be now be worthy of that title since the release of *Private Parts*, a movie based on his best selling autobiography bearing the same name.

Private Parts debued on Friday, March 7th, a week after the fan packed premier at Madison Square Garden in New York City.

No one, whether a fan of Stern or not, could escape the movie due to the exposure given on MTV and E!, as well as interviews and news reports on many other stations and numerous articles in newspapers around the country.

It seemed like everywhere you turned, Stern was standing there with his 6'5" frame peering at you through circular sunglasses with his black curly hair dangling to down to the middle of his back.

So, with all this hype, could *Private Parts* live up to what the movie going public could expect?

I don't think any movie could, but Private Parts comes closer than any other movie could ever hope to.

Director Betty Thomas said it was a pleasure working with Stern and that he is a gentleman and a professional, but that he is also quiet.

In one of the movie's opening scenes, Stern is seen making an appearance at the MTV Music Awards as his super hero persona, Fartman.

In front of the audience, Stern acts as the loud, everybody-look-at-me person, everyone is used to. Backstage, however, it's a different story.

Walking among many music celebrities, Stern is very quiet and somewhat intimidated by the way everyone is staring at him and seeks to get away to save himself from further embarrassment.

Stern was extremely picky in validating the script, refusing about twenty copies before accepting this one and what the audience sees in the movie does an excellent job of setting Stern in certain situations that truly exhibit who he is, such as the Fartman scene.

Stern stars as himself in the movie and the say-whatever-is-on-my-mind Disc Jockey of 92.3 K-Rock, who definitely has a storied and colorful past, is able to relive his life for the audience without losing the reality of it.

Even though Stern has superstar status, we see him as a real person facing the problems that we all encounter.

The movie also comes to life through the uses of the costumes and various wigs that are worn.

The audience is immediately brought back to whatever time period is being conveyed through the hair styles and fashion trends of the time.

Growing up with a father who constantly called him a moron caused Stern to want to prove himself to both his parents.

Wanting to be a DJ from a young age, Stern goes to Boston University to study communications.

It is there that Stern meets his future wife, Allison(Mary McCormack). Their relationship grows and they marry in 1978.

Throughout the movie, we see their devotion and Stern's duel personality, on the radio and at home.

Stern plays both sides of himself very well and we can see a clear distinction between the two.

We see Stern balance his two lives and the conflict that it causes him with Allison.

Stern feels that in order to have a complete show, he has to discuss everything on the air, including his homelife.

This causes Allison to become upset and angry with Stern, but through their arguing, we still see the love they have for each other.

After leaving college, Stern goes on to DJ in Hartford, Detroit, and Washington DC.

While he was a younger DJ, all of his employers tell Stern that he is no good and will never be big time.

Stern ignores all of the put downs and continues to strive to be the best. It is in DC when Stern arises to become a success and meets the other woman in his life, long time friend and K-Rock co-host, Robin Quivers(herself).

Stern then gets his big break in 1982 when he gets hired by WNBC in New York City. Quivers joins Stern at his side and together they take on the radio listening population.

Quivers is the more rational and sane side to Stern's antics, but she is certainty not passive by any means.

The way Stern and Quivers work together is astounding. They play off each other and that is what makes the show such a success, along with the fellow members of Stern's gang, Fred Norris and Jackie "The Joke Man" Martling(each himself).

Each play a key role on the show, but it is Stern's special relationship with Quivers that stands out.

When Robin is fired by NBC in an attempt to control Stern, which is something no one can do, we see Stern's sensitivity as he consoles her and his commitment to her as he does whatever he has to until NBC hires her back.

The third main aspect of Private Parts occurs at NBC with Stern's employer Kenny(Paul Giamatti), who Stern nicknames "Pig Vomit". Stern and "Pig Vomit's" constant battles over what Stern can and cannot do on the radio reach epic proportions.

"Pig Vomit" did everything in his power to tame Stern or make him quit, one act which was the firing of Quivers, but Stern never quits and always finds a way around the restrictions "Pig Vomit" places on him.

Stern triumphs over all to become a success and attains the highest rating in the city.

Private Parts is not just a two hour movie of Stern's radio show, but a story of a human being conquering the obstacles in his life.

We see Stern as he really is, a kind, sensitive, quiet, and loving man who is devoted to his family(he has three daughters), his friends, and his work. People only hear the Stern on the radio, a brash, horny guy who says and does what he wants, rather than the true Stern that *Private Parts* portrays.

It is for this reason that anyone, whether a Stern fan or not, would enjoy *Private Parts*.

Muhlenberg College
1997-1998 Judicial Panel
Selection

Student representatives needed for Judicial Board and Committee Hearings

Applications will be available March 20 in the Dean of Students Office and at the Front Desk of Seegers Union

Applications due - Monday, April 7

For more information contact Melissa Houck, Dean of Students Office (x3182)

AMC Tilghman 8 Movie Listings

Friday, March 21 & Saturday March 22
Jungle 2 Jungle: 1:45, 4:20, 7:10, 9:40
Return of the Jedi: 1:30, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00, 12:30
Private Parts: 2:00, 5:10, 7:40, 10:15, 12:20
Liar Liar: 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:55, 11:55
Jerry Maguire: 1:45, 12:00
Sling Blade: 11:20, 4:20, 9:30
Donnie Brasco: 2:00, 5:20, 8:00, 10:40
Selena: 1:00, 4:50, 7:45, 10:30
Grease: 11:45
Empire Strikes Back: 1:15, 4:30, 7:20, 10:10, 12:30

Sunday, March 23
Jungle 2 Jungle: 11:30, 1:45, 4:20, 7:10, 9:30
Return of the Jedi: 11:00, 1:30, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55
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Empire Strikes Back: 1:15, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00

OSCARS

69th Annual Academy Awards
Monday, March 24 at 9:00 PM on ABC

OSCARS

Best Actor

Tom Cruise
Jerry Maguire

Ralph Fiennes
The English Patient

Woody Harrelson
The People vs. Larry Flynt

Geoffery Rush
Shine

Billy Bob Thornton
Sling Blade

Best Actress

Brenda Blethyn
Secrets & Lies

Diane Keaton
Marvin's Room

Frances McDormand
Fargo

Kristin Scott Thomas
The English Patient

Best Supporting Actor

Cuba Gooding Jr.
Jerry Maguire

William H. Macy
Fargo

Armin Mueller-Stahl
Shine

Edward Norton
Primal Fear

James Woods
Ghosts of Mississippi

Best Supporting Actress

Joan Allen
The Crucible

Lauren Bacall
The Mirror Has Two Faces

Juliette Binoche
The English Patient

Barbara Hershey
The Portrait of a Lady

Marianne Jean-Baptise
Secrets & Lies

Best Original Screenplay

Fargo

Jerry Maguire

Lone Star

Secrets & Lies

Shine

Best Adapted Screenplay

The Crucible

The English Patient

Hamlet

Sling Blade

Trainspotting

Best Director

Joel Coen
Fargo

Milos Forman
The People vs. Larry Flynt

Scott Hicks
Shine

Mike Leigh
Secrets & Lies

Anthony Minghella
The English Patient

Best Picture

The English Patient

Fargo

Jerry Maguire

Secrets & Lies

Shine

Note: The nominees in italics are the Editor's prediction for the winner in the given category.

John Grisham goes back to basics with his new novel *The Partner*

The Partner ★★★★
by John Grisham
Doubleday Books
Book Review by Brian Teta

As most of his die-hard fans know, John Grisham's novels usually fall into one of two categories. Grisham's protagonists are, with very few exceptions, clean-cut male southern lawyers who find themselves either involved in intense courtroom dramas, or forced to become fugitives on the run from the FBI or some other shady conglomerate (i.e. the Mafia, eccentric millionaires, etc.). Grisham's latest book, **The Partner**, is an interesting twist on the latter formula.

While most of Grisham's tales end with his hero adapting a new identity in some tropical locale, his newest story begins there.

You see, several years ago Patrick Lanigan, a promising young lawyer died in a tragic car wreck leaving behind a young wife and daughter as well as a corpse too charred to be properly identified.

A few months later, 90 million dollars was stolen from his law-firm's off-shore bank account. A world-wide search was initiated by everyone from his shady former partners to the FBI and that is where the novel opens, with the capture of a Brazilian merchant named Danilo Silva, formerly known as Patrick Lanigan.

How Patrick was captured, the location of the money, the particulars of how he stole it, and most importantly the identity of the corpse in the car are the mysteries that are unraveled in typical Grisham style over the next 500 odd pages.

While Grisham may not be one of the world's greatest writers, he certainly knows how to pen a page-turner and **The Partner** draws the reader in from the start.

Grisham miraculously manages to make his audience care about, and even root for a character that is apparently a cold and calculating murderer, as well as a thief who abandoned his wife and daughter.

Following the precedent he set in his last novel, **The Runaway Jury**, we get to see very little of what is going on inside the hero's head, leaving the reader to guess at his true motives until well into the book. While ***Jury*** suffered from this tactic, it is surprisingly effective in ***The Partner.***

The difference is that in ***Jury***, the reader finds himself with no one to identify with, while in **The Partner** we are given Sandy, Patrick's lawyer and college friend, who like the reader, is at a loss to explain his friends seemingly despicable actions.

It is Patrick however, who remains Grisham's typical cynical-lawyer protagonist, and the reader gets to watch with no small amount of pleasure as he sticks it to the legal system he once defended.

The Partner is not much of a departure for Grisham, but his writing has become more polished that his early works. Still, while Grisham has certainly come a long way from those first few novels, his weakness remains his cartoony and vague characterizations, in particular those of his female characters.

The Partner has a plot twist or two, but it fails to give the reader the necessary foreshadowing to make those twists believable or good for anything more than shock value. The book ends on a fairly un-satisfying note, (a Grisham trademark) however it is still a fun read and ranks among **A Time to Kill**, **The Firm**, and **The Rainmaker** as some of his best work.

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Capricorn (December 22 - January 19)
Seems like you sort of need another vacation, huh?! Well, here's the thing - you just had spring break but apparently you forgot to relax. Things have been kind of hectic, but then again is this something new for you? Life, especially in college, is a constant roller coaster but that's just part of the fun! Don't feel pressured, you're absolutely right that everyone needs time now and then to sit back and relax, but you can only afford to do that when classes aren't in session! So, instead of stressing about things that you just can't control, enjoy the fact that you're not bored. Think of yourself as very much in demand and just feel special that your presence is needed!

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Things seem to be going your way, huh, Aquarius? Well, good, enjoy life and just take it as it comes. Don't question your blessings, OK? You seem to have the tendency to question everything, regardless of whether it's good or bad. It's time you sit back, relax, and let things happen. We know this concept is something entirely new, so brace yourself. The world really isn't out to get you, contrary to what you believe. If you weren't on such a paranoid mission to decode these secret intentions that you believe everyone else has for you, then you might just be able to enjoy life a little! Think about all that free time you would have if you weren't so busy analyzing everything all the time! You know there are enough troubles in life without searching for new ones. . .just enjoy what you have while you have it!!

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Well well well, Pisces, lately you've had the privilege of learning one of life's very important but painful lessons. . .Whatever goes up, must come down. This is about doing things on impulse and having a great time for the five minutes that your head is in the clouds, but later learning that there are times in life when no matter how badly you want something - you can't have everything you want. Life may have worked that way back in the time of your precollege days but things are much different now, in case you haven't noticed. Remember, though, that everything happens for a reason and it's good to have experiences like this because you can only learn and grow from every situation. Just think of it as an adventure!!

True life Mafia story makes poor cinematic fare

Pacino saves Donnie Brasco from mediocrity

Donnie Brasco (R) ★★½
Tri-Star Pictures
Movie Review by Jillian Lovejoy

It all started with *The Godfather*.....

Since then, many subsequent Mafia movies have been made, each one virtually interchangeable with the last, leaving some viewers to long for a change in the formulaic scripts.

Then came *Donnie Brasco*, and it became obvious why few filmmakers have deviated from the norm—sometimes it just doesn't work.

Nothing about this movie was particularly bad. As a matter of fact, there were many good elements. Unfortunately, there was nothing spectacular about it either, leaving audiences feeling unfulfilled and disappointed.

Maybe if the movie had been marketed differently, the reaction would have been more positive. Despite what the advertisements may depict, this film is very atypical. Instead of the *Goodfellas* gore or *Casino* action, *Donnie Brasco* is a far more cerebral effort.

There is very little action compared to the Mafia movies that we all love to watch and therefore rent over and over. *Donnie Brasco* deals more in the mental tribulations that go along with the mob scene rather than non-stop hits and violence.

Johnny Depp's performance was more than adequate, although certainly not riveting. His portrayal of an undercover FBI agent posing as a mobster shows the anguish of leading a double life. As always Pacino plays his part beautifully. He is one of the films largest saving graces. The supporting actors add to the late 1970's New York Mafia ambiance, but nothing else can really be said for them.

Donnie Brasco is a relatively un-engaging movie, due to the lack of development in most characters. The only two with any depth at all are Depp's Brasco and Pacino's Lefty Ruggerio. None of their counterparts have much personality; instead they seem more like caricatures than actual people.

Further, it is difficult to become attached to any of the characters. Brasco changes so dramatically from the beginning, losing track of himself and ready to abandon his real family to protect his Mafia family.

Ruggerio is hard to sympathize with as he is so blind to Brasco's true identity, and as it becomes evident that he has lost much power within the mob. Since the other characters are so one-dimensional it is impossible to care for them at all.

The movie was over two hours long, which didn't help much either. It would have been a lot easier to deal with had it been a half hour shorter.

Donnie Brasco is well done, but simply uninvolving. Leaving the theater slightly relieved that it was finally over , it was hard not to be disappointed at a movie that had such potential and did so many things right, but just couldn't pull it off.

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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor-

As the Director of the Center for the Ethics, which hosted Campus Discourse Day, I thank *The Weekly* for its coverage following the event. I wish to extend thanks, as well, to Larry Carney and Prof. Jim Bloom for their discussion in these pages of some of the events of the Day. Rather than address the specifics of either Mr. Carney's or Dr. Bloom's contributions, I offer some thoughts of my own on the matters they raise.

First, I think it must be noted, by all of us, that Campus Discourse Day is not a day "for" any one group or College constituency. As the Center for Ethics, so Discourse Day exists for the benefit of all who are or may be involved with the intellectual life of this college. Neither students nor staff should lay claim to the events of this Day as being utterly their own, in any sense. This, I believe, is essential to the very nature of Discourse Day as an occasion which brings us together as thinking people who wish to participate in a community of learning. While it is true that members of the immediate campus community-students and staff-are intended to be the primary beneficiaries of the Discourse Day experience, that experience is not the property of any one group. Indeed , I hope people from off campus will join us and draw as much good as they can from the Day, while contributing to our on-campus experience.

Of course, we should continue to have a Planning Committee which represents students, faculty, and non-teaching staff and which draws on the assistance of people from outside our campus community. I have no expectation that the Center for the Ethics will change its own approach in that respect, and I believe any group which undertakes Discourse Day in the future will seek the same breadth of organizational representation. Sometimes the lines of communication are more easily maintained within one constituency than across several, but I see no reason that students, faculty, and other staff can't manage to work together on any project.

In fact, I don't believe that it is the planning process for Discourse Day which lies at the heart of the difficulties surfaced in Professor Bloom's letter and Mr. Carney's editorial. While some "session teams" do better at involving people in a variety of roles (student, faculty, staff, alum, etc.) than others, all are encouraged—even nagged—to cast their nets widely. That some refer to these teams as "panels" is unimportant, though that terminology may mislead as to the conversational character each session is intended to exhibit. Nor do I think the use of any particular format—film clips, break-out groups, or brief provocative remarks from "panel" members—is critical to creating that atmosphere of open dialogue. Every session team is told to structure their session runs as they see fit, assuming some attention is given to the topic the session purports to address. The only general requirement, in fact, is that everyone remember that we are trying to generate lively and intelligent discourse on the topic.

So, it seems to me that when a session—or a particular run of a session—does not work well, it is because someone has lost sight of the idea of a community of learning. Sometimes staff, who are eager to share their views and often are well-practiced at speaking in such settings, "take over" a session period. Sometimes, students or visitors are too easily silenced by what is nothing more than the enthusiasm of others. *Learning to deal with such situations and to participate intelligently and in a way which encourages the intelligent participation of others* is much of what Discourse Day is about—quite apart from the particular issues of the Day. Faculty and administrators should remind themselves that students and guests may be timid, and need to be encouraged to join the conversation. Those who are timid, whatever their role on campus, should take responsibility for their own participation. Each person should consider whether her desire to express herself is really relevant or helpful to the discussion; each person should be aware of others who might have something worthwhile to contribute. Some of us need to do more self-censoring; some of us need to less of that. In other words, we should all be attentive to, polite to, and considerate of our fellow discussants. But, then, that's true in any open conversation, isn't it?

I'm looking forward to next academic year's Discourse Day (1998), when we will explore the theme of "Educating for Character" in conjunction with Muhlenberg's sesquicentennial celebration. I hope we all look forward to pursuing the process of belonging to a community of learning.

Dr. C. Sistare
Director
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Weekly Writer Debates Necessity of Ethnic Pride

Conservative Corner

by Gene Bergenn

As I was walking through Seegers' Union the other day, I realized something. I hate all of the "Awareness and Pride" signs that are so ubiquitous. Just go into the library and you will see the multitude of oversized posters about great black and women leaders who have contributed so much to our nation. Walk down the steps in Seegers to get your mail and you will be surrounded by all the wonderful signs about Jewish Awareness Month. Try and get a meal in the Garden Room and you must first pass a myriad of signs about all of the wonderful people who are Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual. Walk back to your dorm room and see if you don't pass a Comunidad Latina poster. Check your mail and see how often you find something from Campus Christians or the office of Multiculturalism. Every month we have a new ethnic group or racial group or even sexual group to praise. Once upon a time, the people of this country wanted to see themselves as Americans first, and anything else second. Today, we have a plague of divisions that are disuniting our United States. If we, as a nation, needed to confront a common enemy, would we be able to put aside our differences? Maybe it is an excess of security and comfort which can be blamed for the dangerously divisive impulses we now so blithely indulge.

I hate all of these things because I consider myself to be an individual. When I do something right, I hope I will get credit for it. When I do something wrong, I know I will be blamed. Despite these simple facts, I often hear people, when referring to a professional sport's team, exclaim, "We won! Man, we won big." Now, they never scored a goal or hit a shot, but they still include themselves as part of the team. The team won big becomes *we* won big.

This is understandable and quite harmless when sports fans do it, but what happens when people think this way about their religion, or gender, or ethnic group, or sexual preference? When your skin color or ancestry becomes your "team"? I suppose in very moderate doses it is o.k.- if you really, really need to be proud about something over which you had absolutely no control. But when it becomes a damn obsession, it is an obstacle to true progress. It stops people from worrying about themselves, as individuals, and their own personal achievements. It promotes a kind of tribal divisiveness which sends a damaging signal.

For example, because I am partly of Italian ancestry, should I take pride in the fact that Antonin Scalia is doing such a great job as a Supreme Court Justice? Can I feel better about myself because Joe DiMaggio holds Major League Baseball's record hitting streak? Hell, why not reach back to Leonardo da Vinci and claim some second-hand credit for the Mona Lisa? It is for the fact that if I do this, then I must also include myself in the same category of people like Al Capone, Mussolini, The Boston Strangler, and, God forbid, Mario Cuomo. I should indeed- if I'm going to be honest. But the current view of "pride" has nothing to do with honesty or integrity.

Case in point, no one would ever, ever object to blacks saying, "I'm proud to be African-American!" Nobody would have any qualms with similar statements from Asians, Latinos, or any other so-called minorities. In addition to this, women are somehow supposed to take pleasure in the accomplishments of other women, and across the country there are "Gay Pride" parades.

But, just try and shout out how proud you are of being white, male, and straight, and see what happens. You will have a wrathful mob of feminists, multiculturalists, and gay and lesbian activists march right through your living room, led by Jesse Jackson, Al Sharpton and Louis Farrakhan, waving rainbow space flags and protesting at the top of their lungs. You just can't have it both ways- ethnic pride is either good or bad, and I say it is bad.

People of every ethnic group have achieved in one way or another. They have won Pulitzer Prizes and every other kind of accolade. The one thing they all have in common is that *they* did it- alone. While they painstakingly worked on their experiments, or novels, or research, or whatever, they did it without the help of the other members of their ethnicity. Achievement is a lonely process, and those who have experienced it know this to be true. Still, many people continue to bring up their respective "pride" as though they are a part of it. Bill Cosby has millions of dollars, are blacks better off for it? Michael Jordan makes millions every year, should he distribute it equally among his race? Of course not. These men have what they have because of talent and hard work.

It has become obvious to me what is actually behind all of these expressions of "pride". What people are really saying is, "I am not ashamed to be [fill in the blank]!" This is absolutely fine, noone should feel ashamed of themselves because of what they were born. However, what kind of a person takes it to the next level? What kind of people go around with signs, posters, exhibits, parades, and special "awareness days" to boast about themselves and prove that they are not "ashamed" or "inferior"? Quite simply, someone who is trying to convince himself or herself. Because if you are not ashamed, and truly do not suspect you are inferior, it will never occur to you to say so.

I am not an Italian-American, I am an individual and a citizen of the United States of America. Unfortunately, too many people refer to themselves as [fill in any ethnicity]-American, and in doing so put ancestry before America.

Letters to the Editor

To the Students-

Monday, March 17 in the CA at 3:00 P.M. there was this semester's Student Body Meeting. While only 60 people showed up for the event, (1/3 were Student Council members), I thought the meeting ran smoothly. As promised, a Concert Band update, IFC/Panhel report, class reports, a debate and a vote on Executive Session, and a discussion on the lines in the Union and the food in the Red Door all took place.

The student body changed their Student Council Constitution by voting in favor of the amendment put in everyone's mailbox (this motion passed in council with all in favor except for Deb Bensen '97 opposing the amendment and Jay Kaduson '97 obstaining). The motion read "to amend Executive Session that any motion to move into Executive Session must include the topic for the motion. In addition, all members of Student Council will be better informed of Executive Session and its purposes and further discussion will be encouraged." This change in the constitution, while it won't eliminate it as I had originally hoped, should help to make the members of Council more responsible in their voting for or against a secretive session of Council.

Council also advertised the new food establishment called the East Side Eatery. The East Side Eatery opened on Tuesday and it is located in the Sports Center under the exercise loft. This is a Student Council venture designed to provide a health bar and alleviate the lines in the Union. Student Council also pointed out the menu changes in the Red Door. Check out both!!!!

The students that were there provided great ideas for Council to work on and gave Council input on the work we have been doing. That's what the Student Body Meeting is about. As long as I am on Council there will be a meeting every semester. Student Council is eager to work with their new President, Dave Silber to get everyone involved. Thanks for those who showed up and I hope to see everyone at the Student Body Meeting next semester.

Sincerely,

Lauren Ravit
Student Council Representative
Class of 1998

The World According to Me

by Josh Northridge

Last year I went hunting with my grandpa and father. Of course, I was carrying my BB gun because my father said there was no way in hell that he'd ever let me get within ten feet of a real firearm. I told him that when the aliens took me aboard the mothership they let me touch their phasers. He didn't care. So anyway,we hopped out of the pick-up truck and started walking. It was a crisp clear morning, the kind where you can see your own breath. The scenery was beautiful but at the same time you could feel the impending winter crawling slowly toward us. We eventually came across a group of deer grazing peacefully in the meadow. That's when my grandpa whispered, "It's time to turn Bambi into a piece of Swiss cheese". I got excited as my two favorite male role models (Wierd Al Yankovic being the third) aimed their guns. The anticipation of the kill was almost unbearable. A tiny bead of sweat rolled down my face and then... SNAP! The deer heard me step on a twig. They took off into the forest faster than I've ever seen anything move. BANG! BANG! BANG! My grandfather and father unloaded all of their ammo on this group of deer. It looked a lot like the scene in Predator when the Predator is running away and Arnold Schwarzenegger and pals mow down the jungle. When the smoke cleared we examined the scene... One dead pick-up truck. My father threw his gun into the lake, said a cuss word, and then we hitchiked home. But lunch was pretty good.

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Women's tennis prepares for the 1997 season

Lady Mules hope to improve from last season with a young lineup

by Scott Burke
***Weekly* Sports Writer**

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Such is the women's tennis team as it prepares to meet the 1997 season. Though the high number of freshmen on the varsity squad has drawn the most attention in the Centennial Conference, it is impossible to look at this year's team without taking into account the leadership provided by seniors and captains Kristen Dieter from Philipsburg, New Jersey and Melanie Moore of Canton, Ohio.

Both captains are veterans of the Muhlenberg program, and are showing continued refinement of play in preseason practices. They are playing with more confidence and greater poise and hopefully shall be able to lead their young teammates to one of the best years in Muhlenberg tennis history. Also providing experience and leadership is the lone junior, Julia Hensley of Mahwah, New Jersey.

"I'm really excited about this season," said Head Coach Linda Andrews. "It's practically a brand new team."

And yes, five of the eight members of the Muhlenberg squad are brand new to the college. They hail from up and down the eastern seaboard, from schools public and private. Marny Baxt, of Atlanta, Georgia; Julia Beyer from Poughkeepsie, New York; Kristin Cahayla from Ringwood, New Jersey; Amy Medalie of Lutherville, Maryland; and Sharon Saferstein of Mt. Laurel, New Jersey all show readiness to begin their intercollegiate tennis careers wearing the cardinal and gray.

As the days run down to the official start of the season, the team is busy practicing, working to find the right combinations of players to use in doubles matches, and working to balance strengths and eliminate weaknesses.

"We're a promising young team," said Andrews. "We're going to take every match one at a time."

The women open their season March 20th at Kutztown University. On Saturday March 22 the women have their home opener against Centennial Conference rival Gettysburg College.

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Golf team prepares for 1997 season

by Mike Peterson
***Weekly* Sports Writer**

The Muhlenberg golf team is looking towards one of it's best seasons ever.

They are hoping to build on a solid 12-4 record last year. The team is led by junior co-captains Robby Lobel and Scott Olex.

Last year, Lobel tied the school tournament record with a career-best round of 73 at Susquehanna.

Olex, a steady contributor during his two years at Muhlenberg, made the All-Academic Centennial Conference team last year.

In addition to Lobel and Olex, returning sophomore starters Mike Peterson and Bryan Mullins are expected to balance the squad.

Freshmen standouts Matt Skilton and Matt Deibert showed promise in the fall season and are expecting to produce in the spring.

James Tulli, who did not play his sophomore year, returns and is always a threat to shoot a good round. This core of solid players, along with others waiting in the wings should make the Mules a threat in the Centennial Conference championship this year.

Coach Tipping is very excited about this year's squad due to the Mules' victory at Gettysburg in the fall.

With no seniors on the squad, the Mules look to be strong for years to come.

Seeking Athletic Minded Students

The Muhlenberg College Football Team, under the direction of newly appointed Head Coach Mike Donnelly, is looking for challenge oriented students to assist the program as Team Managers and Team Video/Technology assistants. The above positions will allow students, especially those who are interested in athletics, to become involved and gain experience in team sports from the inside perspective.

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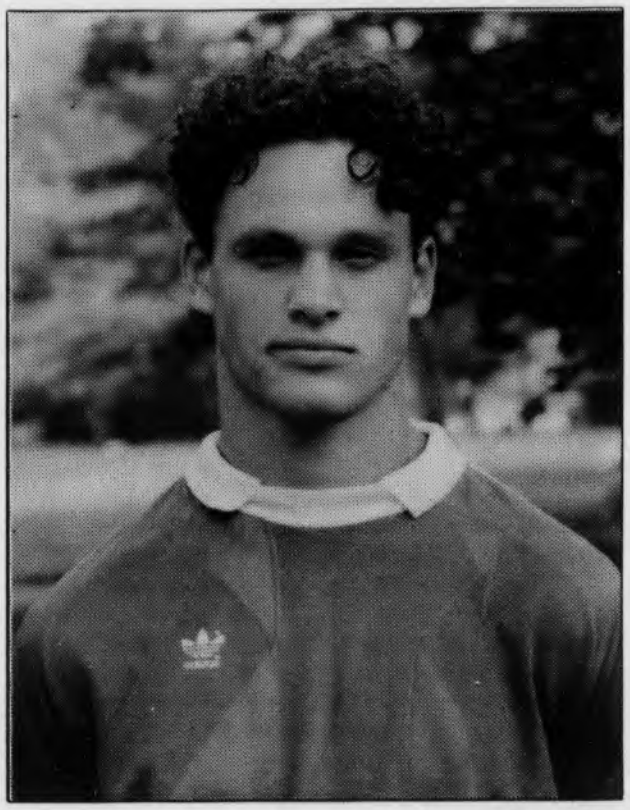
Jake Schmidt named Regional Academic All-American

Senior soccer co-captain now goes on national All-American ballot



For the second straight year, Jake Schmidt of the Muhlenberg College men's soccer team has been named to the District II GTE College Division Men's Academic All-District at-large team, announced Monday by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

The 10-member All-District team represents athletes competing in 10 fall and winter sports from all NCAA Division II, II and NAIA colleges and universities in five states. Schmidt will now go on the national ballot to be considered for Academic All-American honors.

A senior economics major with a 3.732 grade-point average, Schmidt was a first-team All-Centennial Conference and second-team All-Mid Atlantic Region goalkeeper in 1996, leading the Mules to an 11-5-4 record, their second straight NCAA Division III Tournament appearance and a final national ranking of 25th.

He started all 20 games, allowing only 13 goals in 1808 minutes for a 0.65 goals-against average, and set Centennial Conference records with a 0.13 goals-against average and .971 save percentage in league games.

The only senior on the team and a co-captain, Schmidt also was named to the Ohio Wesleyan All-Tournament Team. In 1995, he earned All-Conference honorable mention as a backup goalie on Muhlenberg's Division III "Final Four" team.

Information courtesy of the office of Sports Information.

Baseball team splits doubleheader with Wilkes

Sophomore southpaw Mark Lezinski only allows four balls out of infield in 8-3 win

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

A rejuvenated Muhlenberg Baseball team takes the field for the 1997 season. After a horrible season last year in which the team went 3-24, Head Coach Vic James did not have his contract renewed and Jon McLaughlin was named his replacement.

Things are already better for the team. After only ten games they have equaled their win total of last season. The team went 2-6 in Florida before returning to split a doubleheader with Wilkes on Sunday.

McLaughlin looks to limit mistakes this season.

"If we can play error free baseball, limiting physical or mental mistakes, we'll achieve our goal of the season," he said. "Whether that means winning five games or fifteen games, I don't know."

The team's greatest strength, however, remains power hitting. The Mules have already hit seven homeruns, compared to only one hit by their opponents. Shortstop Steve Faella hit three homeruns in one game against Kenyon. Faella takes the school record for homeruns in a game.

Freshman Kevin Van Lenten hit a homerun in his first collegiate at bat.

Senior captain Tim Mantz is making another great season for himself.

Including a lead-off homerun against Heidelberg, he is batting .429 with a slugging percentage of .679.

With 8 more hits, he will become the 16th player in Muhlenberg baseball history to achieve the 100 hit mark for a career.

However, the Mules greatest weakness is still defense and depth. The team has committed 39 errors, including 13 errors by Faella.

As far as depth goes, the team only has eighteen players. However, the team is led by a great group of underclassmen.

"These guys have stuck with [the program]. That says something about them. That, in itself, should lead to victories," McLaughlin said.

"The Wilkes doubleheader was a great example of this. We could have just packed it in after the first game [losing 18-4]. Instead, we battled back, got a good outing from Mark Lezinski and won the game."

Another factor in improvement this year was a change in the coaching staff. McLaughlin's first act as head coach was to hire Dan Albert, former player out of Shennandoah University out of the Dixie conference.

"Albert has a great baseball background. He's one of the best baseball coaches in the conference." McLaughlin said.

The Mules will get their first Centennial Conference test this weekend with a doubleheader at home against the Gettysburg Bullets.

"This game will be a great measuring stick for us. We need to start establishing ourselves. If we start with a home sweep, we'll be headed in the right direction," McLaughlin said.

It already appears that the Mules are headed in the right direction. If things can fall into place a fifteen win season may not be out of reach.

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Women's basketball team captures conference title

73-71 overtime win against Johns Hopkins gives Mules championship

by C.J. Lenat
Sports Editor

The Muhlenberg College women's basketball team won it's first ever Centennial Conference championship with a win over defending champions Johns Hopkins on March 1. The win gave the Mules an automatic berth into the NCAA Division III tournament.

Having lost to the tough Hopkins squad earlier in the season, the Mules knew they were in for a fight.

Muhlenberg jumped out to a four point lead at halftime, 38-34. In the second half, however, the Blue Jays came back to tie the game at 65 at the end of regulation.

At the start of the overtime period Johns Hopkins took the lead, scoring the first five points, but the Mules bounced right back. Freshman sensation Amy Sandt made two clutch three-pointers to tie the game at 71 with a little over a minute remaining.

The clock was run down to 20 seconds when guard Sarah Clarke drove to the basket and was fouled.

Her two foul shots gave the Mules a two point lead, 73-71. When the Blue Jays were unable to make a basket in the final seconds, the Mules were champions.

Lauren Krackowski and Amy Sandt both had 16 points to lead the Mules. Four out the five starters were in double figues in points.

Freshman Amy Sandt cuts down the net after Muhlenberg's overtime victory. The win gave the Mules their first conference championship ever.

Senior captain Eli LaRocca had a solid game, throwing in eight points and grabbing a team high eight rebounds.

Guard Sarah Clarke had 15 points, six rebounds, and four assists. Jill Roth also grabbed six rebounds, and threw in 10 points.

Unfortunately, the Mules were unable to continue their winning ways later that week at the NCAA Division III tournament, losing in the first round to Scranton 83-54.

Down by nine points at halftime, the Mules were unable to mount a comeback.

Poor shooting hurt the Mules as they shot only 37.5% from the floor, compared to Scranton's 54.8%.

Sarah Bedi led the team with 12 points and eight rebounds. All five starters for Scranton scored in double figures.

Sarah Clarke had four assists in the game, raising her season total to 106, a new school record.

Freshman Amy Sandt scored six points giving her 304 points for the season. Sandt is the third freshman in history to score over 300 points.

Overall the women's basketball 1996-97 season was the best in recent memory, with a final record of 18-8, and for the first time, a Centennial Conference championship.

Baseball team goes 2-6 on Florida spring training trip

Shortstop Steve Faella gives us a player's perspective of the games down South

by Steve Faella
***Weekly* sports columnist**

While most of the students of Muhlenberg College were relaxing over their Spring Break, the baseball team was hard at work trying to win the Kenyon Invitational Tournament in Tallahassee, Florida.

We took part in an eight game tournament with four other teams that week.

After suffering through the twenty hour bus ride on Saturday and Sunday, we opened up with Olivet College on Monday. Olivet took the opener 5-4 in eight innings.

We came back several times to force the game into extra innings, but we could not pull it out. Jason Jack pitched a very good game for us, going 7 and 1/3 innings, striking out 5 and allowing only 3 earned runs. Freshman Chuck Draper was 1 for 3 in the game with an RBI double.

Kevin Van Lenten had the most dramatic moment of the game hitting a homerun in his first collegiate at bat.

We lost the second game 1-0 in six innings because the rains came. Mark Lazinski was the hard luck loser, as he pitched an incredible game. He went five innings with 6 strikeouts, 0 walks, and 0 earned runs. I really believe had it not rained, we would have come back to win that game.

Tuesday we played host to Kenyon college. We lost the first game 6-4. Chuck Draper was 1 for 3 with an RBI and a run scored, and I was 1 for 3 with a run scored.

Freshman Chris Owen made his college debut in the second game, and earned the first win of his career. He went 6 and 1/3 innings, striking out 8, and allowing only 2 earned runs in our 9-4 victory.

Tim Mantz was 2 for 4 with a run scored, 2 stolen bases, and 1 RBI. Kevin Van Lenten was 1 for 2 with two runs scored, and drew two important walks as well.

I was 3 for 4 and set school records by hitting three homeruns in one game, as well as recording 12 total bases. I also tallied 7 RBI's, which was one short of a school record.

After a day off on Wednesday, we took on Heidleburg College, and scored a 7-2 victory in the opener. Tom Murray, Chuck Draper, and Darren Weaver combined to pitch the win for us.

Draper was also 2 for 3 with 2 RBI's and his two run single put us up for good. Kevin Van Lenten was 2 for 3 with 2 runs scored, and Chris Moratis made sure we held on by making 5 big plays at third base late in the game.

We dropped the second game 10-5. Tim Mantz was 3 for 4 with 3 runs scored, 2 RBI's and led the game off with a homerun. Dave Sass pitched 4 innings of no-hit ball before having to leave the game.

Friday we took on tournament champions Guilford College. They beat us 15-4, with the help of our 8 errors. Jay Jack pitched another good game, giving up only 3 earned runs, but we could not make the plays for him.

Chuck Draper was 1 for 3 with two runs scored in the game. The second game was much better. We lost 8-6, but we came back several times, and had a chance to win late in the game, but we could not capitalize.

Kevin Van Lenten was 2 for 3 with 3 runs scored. Chuck Draper and Darren Weaver each had their first career homeruns; Chuck's a solo shot and Darren's a three run blast. I helped out, going 2 for 3 with an RBI double.

The trip was good for us as we prepare to enter our conference schedule. Tim Mantz ended the trip batting .409 with a .519 on base percentage and 1 homerun to lead us. Chuck Draper batted .391 and knocked in 7 RBI's, as well as hitting 1 homerun. I batted .320 with 3 homeruns and 8 RBI's.

At the conclusion of the tournament they selected the All-Tournament Team. Both Chuck Draper and myself represented Muhlenberg on the team. Tim Mantz was rewarded by being named to the Centennial Conference Honor Roll this week.

Come out and support us as we begin our conference season against Gettysburg on Saturday.

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110 Students Volunteer for Science Day

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

On Tuesday, Muhlenberg participated in the annual Science Day program. The program, which is in its third year , is organized by Muhlenberg professor Chrys Cronin. This year, the day was held at Governor Wolf Elementary School in Bethlehem. Over one hundred students from Muhlenberg helped make the day a tremendous success.

The day is meant to help teach elementary school children that science can be fun. For the Muhlenberg students, most of whom are biology majors, the day allows them to give something back to the community.

Cronin said, "The purpose is to show little kids that science can be fun."

The Muhlenberg students spent the entire day conducting experiments with the children. Some examples of the experiments are making recycled paper, bubbleology, the five senses, the flight of paper airplanes, a DNA extraction, making silly putty, acids and bases, solar power, microscopy, making slime, balloon rockets, and dissected oval pellets.

Theresa Kehl teaches the children all about bubbles.

During the day, camera crews from channel 69 taped portions of the day to be broadcast on their news program.

In appreciation of the hard work put in by the students, the school provided the volunteers with a pizza lunch.

Both the children and the volunteers had a great time and found the experience extremely rewarding. Participant Mark Koup commented, "I thought the day went extremely well. The kids had fun with the experiments and learned something in the process. They responded very well to us."

Cronin said, "This year it just really ran smoothly. It went really well. The principal was ecstatic."

Science day was started three years ago because Cronin felt that the science education her children were receiving was not great. She wanted to provide the students with an opportunity to learn science hands on and not through demonstration. The first year only forty students participated and it has exploded since then.

Student Council sponsors new East Side Eatery

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

The Muhlenberg Student Council unveiled the newest eating option on campus Monday. The East Side Eatery, run by Student Council with the help of the Wood Company, is located under the Fitness Loft in the Life Sports Center, and began its trial run this week.

"[Student] Council had talked about the idea of expanding food service for two years. Then, Jamie [Hollander] and I decided to open the East Side Eatery. From that, we got the help of Carlos Munoz, Lisa Ansorge and Aaron Dorfman and formed the Dining Committee," said Chris McClary.

The Eatery, open between noon and 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday, provides students the opportunity to use their meal equivalencies and offers a different sandwich every day. The menu tries to offer healthier choices than those at the other eateries on campus. The menu features a three cheese hoagie on Monday, Healthy Choice Turkey Sandwich on Multi-Grain Bread on Tuesday, Veggie Pita Sandwich on Wednesday and Peanut Butter and Jelly on Lite White on Thursday.

Yogurt, Fruit, Garden Salads, Bagels, Spring Water and Lipton Iced Tea are available every day.

photo by Evan Berez

Council members Chris McClary and Lisa Ansorge serve food at the new East Side Eatery during lunch.

McClary said, "You can fit more on your equivalency here. Fruits, yogurt and sandwiches are all cheaper here than at GQ. Also, you can't buy bottled iced tea on your equivalency at GQ, but you can at the East Side Eatery."

The East Side Eatery is operated and partially funded by Student Council. Work-study students and council volunteers operate the facility.

The Eatery is currently running on a trial period which end the last day of classes, April 30. The Dining Committee hopes to expand the Eatery to dinner, when the menu will include pastas.

The Dining Committee has already made changes and improvements in the menu in the Red Door Cafe. The Committee was responsible for the expansion of the menu at that dining facility and so far the response has been positive from the students.

McClary also thanked Dean Rudy Ehrenberg and Kevin from Food Services for their help in getting the project started.

As far as student reaction to the eatery, the students have responded positively.

"It's cool and close to [Martin Luther]. I like it," commented sophomore Julie Smith.

Students had been requesting alternatives to the Red Door, Garden Room and GQ because of the lengthy lines and monotonous menu.

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News Digest

courtesy of USA Today
compiled by Lauren Casa
News Editor

Six hundred U.S. troops are on standby near Zaire today to evacuate U.S. citizens from the civil war-torn African nation if necessary. About 500 Americans are thought to be left in Zaire, most in the capital Kinshasa.

Vice President Gore presided over the signing of two U.S.-Chinese business deals today as he launced the highest-level U.S. visit to Beijing since the Tiananmen Square demonstrations in 1989. Administration officials hope the contracts, totaling nearly $2 billion, will quiet criticism that the Clinton policy of "engagement" with China has failed to show results on either human rights or trade.

Two missing sisters and the three men police say took them were spotted at a Florida car wash but got away because the off-duty police officer who saw them was unaware of a national search. The girls looked "disheveled" but okay. Two of the three suspects know the girls' father, but authorities have declined to discuss a motive.

The United States said Monday that it may retaliate against Belarus for what it considers the unjustifiable arrest and expulsion of an American diplomat. Serzh Alexandrov, a diplomat at the U.S. Embassy in Belarus' capital of Minsk, was arrested Sunday at a protest against President Lukashenko's policies.

Albania's Defense Ministry appealed for deserters to return to their barracks Monday and help restore order, while Europe sought ways to help without getting drawn into the violence that has engulfed the Balkan nation.

Irish Republican Army inmates at the maximum-security Maze prison outside Belfast, Northern Ireland, tunneled their way to within 30 yards of freedom before their escape route was discovered. A prison officer on routine patrol discovered the tunnel Sunday night after part of it had collapsed.

Mediators crafted a proposal to end Peru's hostage crisis that includes a cash payoff to Marxist rebel captors and the early release of some jailed guerrillas. The proposal will be presented within days to government negotiators and Tupac Amaru leftist rebels holding 72 hostages in the Japanese ambassador's residence.

In one West Bank riot Monday, Palestinian police formed a human chain and pushed Palestinian stone-throwers away from Israeli troops. In another, Yasser Arafat's troops stood by and watched for hours, with one officer finally telling protesters to go home and "save your energy for another day."

Massachusett's highest court reinstated the convictions of Violet Amirault, 74, and her daughter, on charges of abusing about 40 children in their day care center in the 1980s. They will be sent back to prison. Both have served eight years of eight- to 20-year sentences.

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Campus Safety Notes

Sexual harassment in library bathroom

3/17/97 - Fire alarm - Martin Luther
3/18/97 - Suspicious person - Trexler Library - White male about 35 years and balding in men's bathroom on B Level, supposedly watching another male urinating.
3/19/97 - Stolen vehicle - MacGregor Lot - 1992 gray Ford Ranger; possibly broken passenger window, not recovered
3/19/97 - Unsecure area - Haas College Center - A couple of offices with important information were unsecured
3/20/97 - Vandalism - 23rd and Gordon - 10 vehicles had antennas snapped off.
3/20/97 - Fire alarm - MacGregor - food set off the alarm
3/20/97 - Harassment by communication - Prosser - caller said, "Eat me."
3/21/97 - Information - Prosser - sick student
3/21/97 - Suspicious person - Seegers' Lot - non-student sleeping in vehicle; found to be unregistered guest
3/21/97 - Fire alarm - East Hall - smoke from birthday candles
3/22/97 - Vandalism to vehicle - Faculty/Staff Lot - attempted entry, 1994 Nissan Pathfinder; used screwdriver to remove lock
3/22/97 - Alcohol violation - East Quad - underage possession of alcohol; sent to judicial
3/22/97 - Fire alarm - Prosser - hair spray
3/22/97 - Alcohol violation - East Quad - follow up to 195 providing alcohol to minors; sent to judicial
3/23/97 - Noise violation - New West
3/23/97 - Vandalism - East Hall - malicious mischief, someone smashed window with hand
3/23/97 - Intoxicated person - Prosser - underage consumption
3/23/97 - Vandalism - Fraternity driveway - stop sign pulled out of ground
3/23/97 - Disturbance - SPE
3/25/97 - Vandalism - Seegers' Lot - moped parked at bicycle rack and light was broken from possible knockdown

Follow up:
1. electronic mail
2. campus mail periodically stolen because people are still leaving their mailboxes unlocked
3. magistrate still waiting on disorderly conduct
4. swastika

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Eric Maguire Named Student Leader of the Week

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

The second Muhlenberg College Student Leader of the Week has been selected and the winner is...Eric Maguire. Eric has proven himself to be a true leader throughout his four years at Muhlenberg in several different ways.

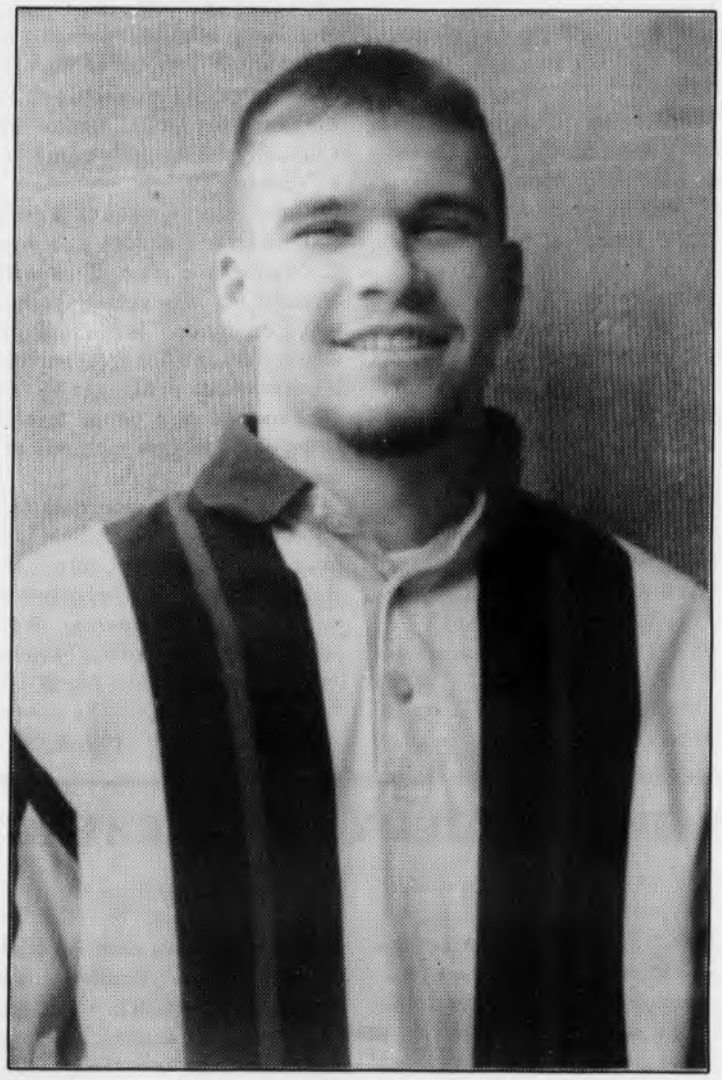
Eric is currently the president of the senior class. This job requires a huge amount of time. He and his class council are responsible for planning senior events such as senior week, the senior ball, and 100 days.

Eric has held the position of class president of the class of 1997 for four years which means he has helped fundraise and plan these events for some time.

He is also the head resident of New West Hall and a brother of Tau Kappa Epsilon.

Eric considers himself one of many who contribute to the campus. He said, "I am a figure head from some organizations." He feels that the other people who work more behind the scenes, such as the other members of his class council and the other R.A.s in his building, deserve more credit for their work than they currently receive.

Next year, he plans to attend Indiana University in Bloomsburg where he will work towards a masters degree in higher education and student affairs. Good luck to Eric.



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Lois Brandt

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Nominee's Phone Number_____

Activities the nominee is involved in_____

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Leadership positions held by the nominee_____

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Academic achievements of nominee_____

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Other qualities which make the nominee worthy of the award__

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Muhlenberg dancers perform Swainbank's piece at ACDFA

by Jenny-Lynn Knotek
Assistant News Editor

Two weekends ago, fourteen dancers from Muhlenberg attended the annual American College Dance Festival at Pennsylvania State University. They presented two pieces, "Jest," choreographed by modern dance instructor Clare Byrne, and "Inescapable Death," choreographed last year by junior Jessica Swainbank.

The festival was attended by twenty-five colleges and universities, ranging from Allentown College and Muhlenberg to Slippery Rock University and Central Michigan University. The Muhlenberg dancers arrived at PSU on Thursday, although the activities began Wednesday.

Kristi Wilhemson, a senior in "Jest," recalls the van trips: "There were 14 of us, so the van was full at that point, but the thing was, we had all of our bags, too! So, we all piled into the van, then whoever had shotgun threw our bags in, literally on top of us!" Although there were a lot of pains and discomforts in the van, everyone enjoyed the festival itself.

Wilhemson said, "We'd dance all day, then watch dancing all night. We performed Friday." The program was literally overflowing with opportunity for the dancers, most of which have minors in dance here at Muhlenberg. Classes were offered in every form of dance imaginable: classical ballet and tap, jazz, modern, and even clogging, Chinese folk dance, and African dance.

Wilhemson said that the most nerve-wracking experience was the performance itself, because there were adjudicators watching the dance, who afterwards commented to the dancers concerning what they liked and disliked.

"It was horrible, because they were right there, and the whole audience were dancers, so they knew if you messed up; it was worse doing it here than doing it in the concert at school."

This year's adjudicators have an extensive dance background. Sean Curran, a former of the Bill T. Jones/ Arnie Zane Dance Company, teaches dance at schools around the country, including such names as Harvard and Bucknell. His choreography has gone international, shown at such places as the Edinburgh Festival in Scotland, and the Suzanne Dellal Center in Israel. Currently he is performing in *Stomp* off-Broadway.

Kathy Short Gracenin, a graduate of PSU, has had dances and workshops throughout the state. Sick with Lyme Disease for two years, she could not teach or dance. However, today she uses a cane and her great personality to teach students of all ages. She teaches dancers and also dance teachers, her pedagogy and new methods of movement therapy.

Jane Comforts incorporates theater into her dance productions; her company includes dancers, actors, and singers, and had an off-Broadway run of its production, *Faith Healing*. It was sold out both seasons, and has been heralded by *The Village Voice, The Washington Post*, and *Backstage*. The company has performed at Jacob's Pillow, the American Center in Paris, and the Baltimore Art Museum, among others.

Allentown College, claiming an honor at the Festival, had a wonderful piece, as well as Ohio State University. Neither piece from Muhlenberg received recognition, although the adjudicators were very impressed with Swainbank's piece. As a student choreographer, her piece was most impressive and very incisive.

As a close to the Festival, dancer and choreographer Danny Buraczeski performed the final dance. The name may sound familiar, because he gave a master class here this past fall. Buraczeski, who appeared on Broadway with such names as Angela Landsbury and Liza Minelli, founded Jazzdance in 1981. The company toured extensively, including the Caribbean and Europe.

Wilhemson, although still trying to catch up on homework assignments from last weekend, said she would not have missed the experience for anything: "It was just great. As a senior, I don't know when I'll have another chance to involve myself so much in dance."

Jewish awareness month proves educational and enjoyable

by Cori Sanoguiera
guest writer

March is Jewish Awareness Month (JAM)! In recognition of the occasion, Hillel has blitzed the calendars with programs celebrating Jewish life. Our kick off event was the very successful PB&JAM drive. A table was set up in the Union on Monday the 11th during dinner. Over 200 sandwiches were made and then donated to Daybreak Shelter. A good time was had by all who participated in the rather amusing and messy event that was also a great mitzvah (good deed)! Thanks to everyone who made sandwiches and to the Wood company for the food.

On Wednesday the 13th, Dr. Margie Hass led a thought provoking discussion on the topic of "Jewish Life After College." Students who came had the chance to talk about their own expectations and concerns for their life after Muhlenberg, as well as eat free pizza!

Important questions were raised such as: How important is it to find a job where you can take time off for Jewish Holidays? Will you restrict yourself to taking a job in an area where there is a sizable Jewish community?

Certainly many of us left with an appreciation of individual views of what types of decisions each of us will make upon graduation. Also noteworthy is the concept that Judaism will most likely have varied impact on us at different stages of our lives.

Friday night we held our traditional Shabbat dinner. Shabbat dinners are always well attended. The delicious matzo ball soup and chicken are perfect to sit down to, in order to wind down from the hectic week. (Or for some, to gear up for the weekend.)

The March Madness of Hillel continued on Wednesday the 19th! Over 50 Muhlenberg students went to the Discovery Zone to jump around (a very good work out) and meet up with Lehigh Hillel students. The Discovery Zone trip was one of our best. I have not seen so many smiling faces in a long time.

On Saturday the 22nd we held our second annual Purim Party. This festive holiday was celebrated with mocktails and dancing. Prizes were awarded to the best costumes: a pair of Lipton Tea Bags and also a pair who came as a bed!

Hillel sponsored a trip to NYC to see "Grandma Sylvia's Funeral" on Sunday the 23rd. This off-Broadway show turns a traditional Jewish funeral into a spoof on familial relations. We even got to nosh (eat) on a little bit of cream cheese and bagels as part of this hysterical production.

Rabbi Zarhk from Am Haskalah, (a local synagogue) will speak on Russian Judaism. This event is co-sponsored with AEPi on March 26th at 5. Don't forget, as always, there will be plenty of free food, this time from Abe's Place.

Be sure to check out the movies playing throughout the month in the Red Door. Just a reminder that Hillel is always open to all students. Please stop by and see what we are all about!

Hey Girls!

Wanna learn about Phi Sigma Sigma before rush? Come to our ICE CREAM SOCIAL!!

April 3 from 7-9 PM in the Phi Sig House (located on the corner of Leh and Chew Streets)

The Weekly is currently looking for photographers. We need people who are willing to attend events and photograph them for the newspaper. You do not need to develop your own film. If you are interested in helping out, call us at x3187 and leave a message.

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College releases crime and judicial statistics for 1996

Total number of offenses reach an all time low due to drop in vandalism reports

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MUHLENBERG COLLEGE SECURITY STATISTICS

PART I OFFENSES - INCIDENT REPORTS	1994	1995	1996
HOMICIDE	0	0	0
FORCIBLE RAPE	0	1	0
ROBBERY	0	0	0
ASSAULT:			
Aggravated	3	2	2
Simple	8	5	6
Reckless Endangerment	1	2	1
Ethnic Intimidation	2	1	3
BURGLARY:			
Forced Entry	0	2	1
Unlawful Entry	5	1	1
Attempt Forced Entry	0	0	0
LARCENY / THEFT	131	99	109
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1	0	1
ARSON	1	2	1
TOTAL PART I	152	115	125
PART II OFFENSES - INCIDENT REPORTS			
FORGERY	1	1	1
FRAUD	3	0	0
POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY	9	16	9
VANDALISM	123	115	82
SEX OFFENSES:			
Sexual Assault	2	2	0
Indecent Exposure	0	2	1
Public Indecency	3	1	0
DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS:			
Possession of paraphernalia /drugs	14	16	15
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	83	89	96
DRUNKENNESS	0	4	5
DISORDERLY CONDUCT:			
Disorderly Conduct	2	10	9
Harassment	27	18	21
Harassment by Communication	47	41	54
Falsely Reporting an Incident	51	42	8
VAGRANCY	0	0	0
ALL OTHER CRIMINAL OFFENSES:			
Trespassing	17	16	12
Suspicious Person	9	16	19
Menacing	2	0	0
Terroristic Threats	1	5	0
Loitering and Prowling at Night	3	0	0
Soliciting	0	0	1
Attempted Abduction	0	0	1
TOTAL PART II	397	394	334
TOTAL PART I AND PART II	549	509	459

These figures reflect a three year compilation of statistics relating to campus safety and crime. These are compiled on a yearly basis and the judicial summary is compiled every semester. These numbers are reported in compliance with the 1990 Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act. All Campus Safety cases involving alleged violations of the Social Code are referred to the Dean of Students office for internal college judicial action. If you would like more information contact the Dean of Students at x3182.

These crime statistics represent all criminal cases reported to the Department of Campus Safety. There is a slight increase in Part I crimes. These are cases against property. The overall total of Part I and Part II crimes continues to decline.

DISPOSITION OF CASES

	Total	Cleared by Arrest*	Internal College Judicial Action
Liquor Law Violations			
1994	83	5	78
1995	89	8	81
1996	96	7	89
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Women's Week informative yet poorly attended

by Jenny-Lynn Knotek
Assistant News Editor

Last week was Women's Week on the Muhlenberg campus; eight events, including films and panels, composed the week, which was sponsored by the Women's Studies program and Students Advocating Gender Equality, better known as SAGE.

SAGE was formerly called the Women's Action Group; however, the group voted for the name change to promote "inclusivity," according to Patrice DiQuinzio, faculty advisor for the group. The new name includes the goal of the group, as well as promotes the fact that men, not just women, can share these feelings about gender inequality.

DiQuinzio said that the week's activities had a good turnout, although more student participation would have been nice.

The first day of Women's Week was also Eating Disorder Awareness Day, covered in last week's issue. DiQuinzio said that this panel discussion brought in the most students, although another panel later on in the week also did well.

"You might be a Feminist if...," a panel discussion on the myths and stereotypes of feminism, was led by sophomore Susan Van Riper. DiQuinzio attended the session, and remarked that there were "a lot of questions asked, and lots of debate and discussion." Surprisingly, many males also attended this panel.

According to DiQuinzio the best thing was that "the panel was student-run." She said that she plays facilitator in her role as SAGE advisor; if a student has an idea, he/she comes to her to get the wheels in motion.

The final activity of Women's Week was a Take Back the Night March, followed by a Speak Out. The turnout was low; only 16 people showed for the March and about 25 for the Speak Out—and the speaker, Freda Fares of Lehigh Valley Crime Victims Council, had to cancel at the last minute.

However, the atmosphere still had the unity that comes from such an event; it was a chance for students and adults to speak about violence against women, especially in their own lives and relationships.

DiQuinzio said that the event "was different from last year, but good; each group puts their stamp on the evening."

DiQuinzio declared that the week is designed to help students connect issues existing at Muhlenberg to the outside world. Beyond Muhlenberg there are other organizations already working on gender equality. Upcoming generations do not need to "reinvent the wheel."

DiQuinzio already has ideas for next year's Women's Week. Since there will be returning seniors, next year will not be a year of rebuilding for SAGE, as was this year.

Next year marks two events on campus: the 150th anniversary of Muhlenberg, as well as the 40th anniversary of coeducation. Muhlenberg was one of the first schools to opt for coeducation. DiQuinzio hopes to include themes of women's educational needs and their role in education, into not only Women's Week, but throughout programming offered the whole year.

She hopes to have some of the women who graduated 40 years ago return as speakers, to share their feelings of the Equal Rights Era; they were pioneers of their time. Also, there are many accomplished women who graduated from Muhlenberg during the early stages of coeducation.

DiQuinzio says that the generations today cannot understand what was happening 40 years ago because so many more people are aware of gender inequality and so many changes have been made.

DiQuinzio hopes that student participation and involvement in SAGE will grow; many more things could happen, she said, if more students would partake of activities or give feedback of ones they have attended.

An upcoming event involving the Women's Studies program in the Lehigh Valley will come to the Muhlenberg Campus on April 12. The campus will host a conference of women's studies of the LVAIC, and four students from Muhlenberg will have the opportunity to share papers they have written pertaining to the subject.

Women's History Month Programming features lecture by Coontz

Stephanie Coontz, author of "The Way We Never Were: American Families and the Nostalgia Trap," a book which banished misconceptions about the "typical" American family and the so called "deviants" such as welfare recipients, single parents and black families, gave a free public lecture at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 25 in the Recital Hall of the Dorothy and Dexter Baker Center for the Arts.

A former Woodrow Wilson fellow, Stephanie Coontz has taught at Kobe University in Jaan and the University of Hawaii at Hilo. She serves on the advisory board to the National Family Index of Family Circle, and is a Faculty Scholar for the National Faculty. She received the Dale Richmond Award from the American Academy of Pediatrics in 1995.

"The Way We Never Were," is Coontz's most recent book which has placed her at the center of the family values debate in American politics. She has testified about her research before the House Select Committee on Children, Youth, and Families in Washington, DC, and her work has been featured in The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post, Newsweek, Harper's, Vogue, Mirabella and many other national publications and academic journals. She has also appeared on the Oprah Winfrey Show, Crossfire, CNN's Talk Back Live, CBS This Morning, Nighttalk with Jane Whitney and in several prime-time television documentaries.

Coontz won the Washington Governor's Writers Award in 1989 for The Social Origins of Private Life: A History of American Families, a book that has since been translated into German. She co-authored, with Peta Henderson, "Women's Work, Men's Property: On the Origins of Gender and Class."

Author Stephanie Coontz spoke as part of Women's History Month Tuesday night.

"The Way We Never Were" combines historical research with contemporary case studies to show how idealizing our past will jeopardize our future. Telling the real story about parenting, privacy, gender relations and sexual practice, Coontz explains why we suffer from "selective amnesia." Using examples from 200 years of American history, Coontz shatters such myths as "a man's home is his castle," "my mother was a saint," "toxic parents," and "traditional families never asked for a handout."

Another myth shattered is that working women or feminists have abandoned the family and are to blame for everything from deteriorating morals to latchkey kids to dysfunctional households. In fact, a hundred years ago, an era in which parents were advised by experts to avoid "fussing" over their crying infants and government-issued pamphlets warned parents against playing with their children for safety reasons, school children and teenagers held jobs as urban newsboys and peddlers, experiencing a freedom from adult supervision that makes contemporary latchkey kids seem coddled. Coontz reminds us that women's rights groups have led the way in peace activism, family support and social reform. Mother's Day was not always a sentimental occasion. It actually began as a Mother's Work Day which women organized to improve sanitation conditions in Appalachia, to provide medical services during the Civil War and to campaign for peace.

Coontz applies her historical perspective to address the current "family values" debate, showing that this diverts attention from more urgent dilemmas and leads to punitive moralizing rather than concrete reform.

"Using family as a model for public life produces an unrealistic, even destructive definition of community," Coontz writes. "It is impossible for realistic solutions to emerge from discourse grounded in misconceptions. Coontz points toward more constructive ways to help American families meet the twenty-first century.

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Consult the Mule.....Your Weekly Horoscope

by Jennifer Zwirn and Sherry Fazio

Aries (March 21 - April 19)

So Aries, it's just about birthday time for you, which means you've probably been receiving lots of attention and gifts lately!

As nice as it is to be showered with presents and attention, this is the one time of the year for you, Aries, where you can really tell who cares about you. It doesn't always take a tangible object, like a huge box with a ribbon wrapped around it, for someone to show how much they care for you. Sometimes just a smiling face or a great bear hug can top any gift. SO, instead of trying to see how many presents you can get, why not ponder who will be the first one to give you a birthday hug?! Sometimes what matters most is what you cannot put your finger on.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20)

Hey Taurus, a little stressed lately, are we?! No need to shed your tears...tomorrow is a new day. If today was supposed to be perfect then what would you do with tomorrow? Life is about learning and growing and dealing with everyone that comes your way. There is no need to freak out at the drop of a hat or when your shoe is untied...take a step back and put everything in perspective. If you weigh the good and the bad then you will see what matters most. College life is always going to resemble a roller coaster. . .you will learn soon, if you haven't already, that learning to deal is a necessity. The faster you see this, the happier you will be.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21)

Listen up, Gemini, everything you do is because you made the choice to do it. Now that you're in college, for the most part, you are in control. You always have a choice whether or not you like the outcome. . .it was your decision. Stop placing the blame on everyone else. Why not take a glimpse in the mirror instead...mirrors don't lie. Remember that everything is character building and you have to live and learn, right? Instead of being down and out about what you chose to do, chalk it up to experience! Sometimes things that seem to be troublesome in the first place, actually turn out fine in the end. You just have to keep in mind that life is full of situations you can learn from, so the next time an outcome isn't in your favor, look at it as a growing experience.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22)

Well, no one ever said you were boring, Cancer. Slow down for a minute so we can all catch up to you! You've been running non-stop and you've made your point loud and clear! The world is aware of the fact that you're busy, but try to step out of the situation and listen to yourself. You're making it seem as if no one else has a thing to do, which we all know is definitely not the case! Other people are busy, too. It's difficult to see the problems of others when you have so many things going on yourself, but you are known for your strength. . .so, instead of looking at things negatively and thinking that your stress level will never go down again, settle all those issues you seem to have and listen to others when they speak. Sometimes your friends can lend a hand, that is, if you will ever let them.

Leo (July 23 - August 22)

Hey Leo. . .is there a reason you insist on walking around with a permanent chip on your shoulder? The world is really not out to get you despite what you may think. However, is there a particular reason you're walking around, um, shall we say, a bit paranoid, Leo? Your continuous practice of biting everyone's head off might want to come to a close soon, if you plan on having someone to hug at graduation. College is where you ought to be making your friends for life, but instead, you only seem to be making enemies. Are you trying for the attitude award? A smile never killed anyone, or do you know something we don't? It's college. . .lighten up and show those pearly whites. How about you give it a try?

Virgo (August 23 - September 22)

Um, Virgo. . .is that you complaining again? It seems to be your new hobby lately, huh? Well, there is a definite correlation between the amount of work you have and the amount of complaining you've been doing. Perhaps if you spent more time doing the work rather than spending all that time complaining, you'd actually be killing two birds with one stone. . .not only would all of your work be done, but you'd no longer have things to complain about, either! Of course it is so much easier to simply sit back and whine, but to be perfectly honest, where exactly does this get you? The only thing you'll gain from your griping will be an extra headache! After all your work is completed, you won't even know what to do with yourself. . .you'll see!

Libra (September 23 - October 23)

You know, Libra, it's not every day we meet someone as sincere as you. May we congratulate you on your genuine attitude and honesty! Go ahead and pat yourself on the back because you definitely deserve some recognition for all you do. You realize that not everyone has been as blessed as you, however you also know that sharing what you have with others is a sure way to make life easier for everyone around you. Although you enjoy being active on campus and getting credit for all you do, you also know that it's nice to be important but it's more important to be nice. Not familiar with that statement? Well, you should be, considering you practically invented it! You have a knack for making people feel good about themselves, which is a great talent. So next time you're feeling a little down, just remember how special you really are.

Scorpio (October 24 - November 22)

Hey Scorpio. . .enough of this self-criticism already. You really don't give yourself enough credit. Okay, so you made a mistake, and if it isn't now then later you will pay for it. However, stop beating yourself up about it. Look at all the positive things going on in your life. You have this obsession with harping on the negative aspects of your life, even though you have so much else going for you. How about giving yourself a little credit once in a while? Honestly, you just have to deal with whatever has happened. People come in and out of your life. . .they leave their mark and teach their knowledge. Some will stay and some will leave, but what's really important is the lessons you learn in the process. You just have to remember, though, that you only get one chance, so make it count.

Sagittarius (November 23 - December 21)

Oh dear, Sag. . .you've surely been a tad critical lately, huh? Well, we all know that it is much easier to point out the bad in others than in others than it is to actually look at ourselves. You might want to stop this constant analysis of others and try looking in the mirror. If you're afraid to do this because you don't like what you see. . .then apparently you have a little problem. Of course a major, extensive makeover isn't necessary, but a little self-improvement never hurt anyone. You seem to be pointing out people's flaws left and right but have you been listening to what you've been babbling about? Try all your analyzing out on your own life instead of people in the line at GQ. . .not only will it help but it will make you a nicer person in the process.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19)

Hey Cap. . .well it sure doesn't take a lot to get under your skin lately. What's up with that?! You are so super-sensitive that all of your friends seem to be tip-toeing around you!

This isn't ballet class. . .in fact this is college and when you live with people you have to learn to let some things roll off your back. Not everything said should be taken so literally, Cap.

To avoid pouring on the tears, why don't you take things a bit less seriously?

Usually what is said out of haste is nothing more than a little sarcastic comment here and there. Ease up and just get over it!

Life is too short to waste all your time on things that are so insignificant. Instead of wasting all of your time thinking about who made that comment which made you so upset, just laugh it off. So try this and enjoy all the free time you'll gain from doing so!

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18)

So Aquarius. . .having a bit too much fun on the weekends lately? Remember back in the day when you were getting a room at the library so you could spend more time there - you sure are having a problem finding a happy medium with your academics and your social life, aren't you?

Try pacing yourself. . .it's important that you don't become permanently attached to your personal computer, but at the same time you shouldn't become the social director of your floor.

A little studying here and a little partying there. . .it will all even out. In college it's very easy to get caught up with one thing and become completely sidetracked with everything else. However, you have a good head on your shoulders and should be able to balance everything. Good luck!

Pisces (February 19 - March 20)

Have you had your calling for rebellion or something? You seem to have the same body and face. . .your appearance isn't the big mystery here. Your personality and your latest actions are something, however, which seem to be a continuous surprise!

That's great and all. . .spontaneity is the key element of life which makes it so exciting! However, and you knew this was coming, make sure that you don't get too carried away.

Having fun and doing things out of character is wonderful, and this is college, but you do want to make sure you get out alive!

So have a good time, Pisces, even go crazy every now and then, but don't leave your common sense at home every night.

If you just work on balancing your new ways and old ways, a mixture of the two is sure to keep your social life and level of fun just fine!

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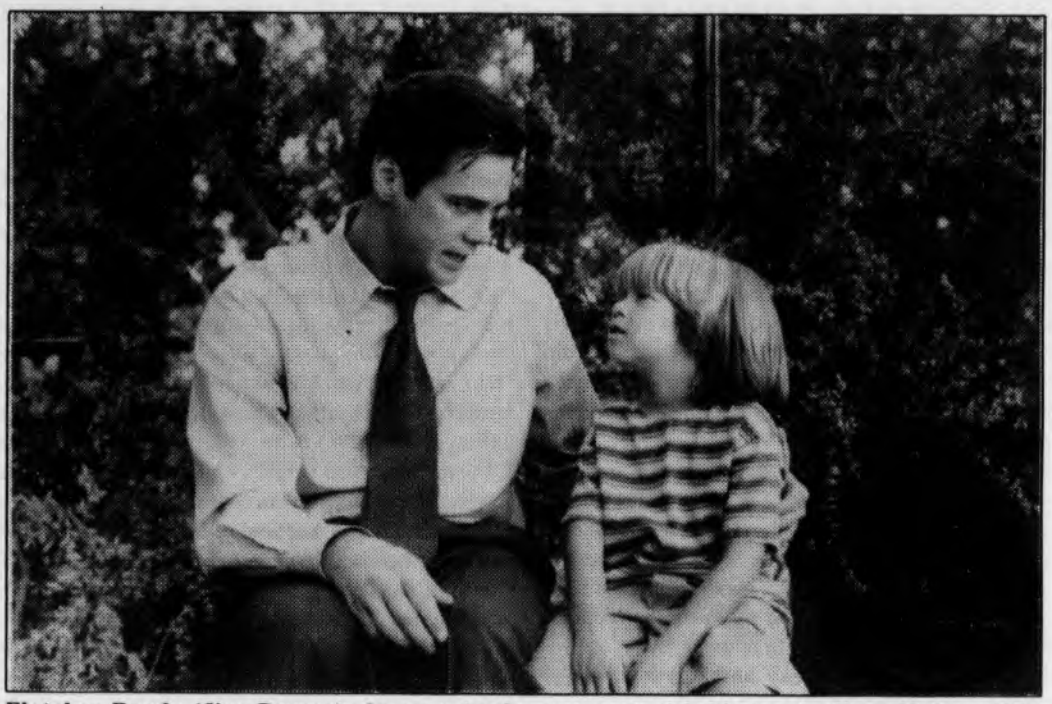
Jim Carrey makes a *Liar* out of his critics with new film

Liar, Liar (PG-13) ★★★
Universal Pictures
Review by Jillian Lovejoy



Fletcher Reede (Jim Carrey) shares a tender moment with his tragically coifed son Max (Justin Cooper) in a scene from Liar, Liar. *Photo courtesy of Universal Pictures*

One would think that after two Ace Ventura movies and many other films on a similar level, that Jim Carrey would lose his appeal. After all, how much overacting and facial contortions can the American public handle?

Apparently quite a lot. With his newest movie, Liar Liar, it is easy to once again appreciate Carrey's comic abilities.

Is this movie over the top? Absolutely.

Is it hilarious nevertheless? Without a doubt.

After several disappointing movies, such as Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls, and the ridiculously poor attempt at black comedy, The Cable Guy, it is refreshing to actually be able to laugh at Jim Carrey again.

Carrey's character, Fletcher Reede, is a work-driven lawyer, who frequently puts his job before his son, Max, played by Justin Cooper. On his fifth birthday, the son wishes that for one day, his absentee father would be unable to lie.

For the next 24 hours, Fletcher's life is brutally, and hilariously, honest. He is forced to go through the many "trials" of being a defense attorney selected specially for the case due to his superior ability to stretch the truth without lying.

Throughout the course of the day, Fletcher realizes that his son truly is important to him, and vows that he will make time for him in the future.

This revelation leads to problems for Fletcher, as his ex-wife is scheduled to pack up the remains of her family and move to Boston with her new boyfriend.

A newly determined and honest man, Fletcher now must prove himself to his wife and son again in order to keep them from leaving.

The plot, as one can easily determine, is trite and sappy on its own. With Carrey's antics, however, it is transformed into an hysterically funny flick. Further, the screenwriters made the best of the story by refraining from injecting any truly mushy or sugary-sweet lines into it.

Carrey shines in his performance. For once, the overacting for which he is known does not seem distracting or annoying. His vocal calibrations and facial contortions are certainly present, but not as overly used as they have been in past movies. The supporting cast performs in a more low-key manner, which also spotlights Carrey's performance. It didn't seems as if he were upstaging them; rather, it felt as if they kept the movie grounded.

Every scene had audience members laughing out loud. The packed theater definitely got their money's worth with this film.

Particularly funny was a scene towards the end of the film where Fletcher is forced into a board meeting by his manipulative boss Miranda, played by Amanda Donahoe. He is then forced to tell every person at the meeting exactly what he thinks of them. This scene left the audience in stitches for five minutes afterwards.

Just a note—when the movie appears to be over, stay in your seat! While the credits are playing, you will further entertained by a series of outtakes.

Liar Liar is by no means a brilliant movie, but it is brilliantly funny. It has been a long time since a Jim Carrey movie, or any other comedy, for that matter, has received such laughs.

Marcy Playground provides a fresh look at a tired genre

Marcy Playground ★★½
EMI Records
CD review by Darcy O'connor

Rock music, after the inception of alternative punk rock bands such as *Green Day*, has blossomed into an industry supporting many artists.

Labels nowadays are looking for alternative rock bands to create solid popular music as *Green Day* did. *Marcy Playground* is one example of a group in the Rock 'n Roll genre that has the evident potential to soar as high on the billboards as any other band today.

Marcy Playground makes it's debut with it's self titled album, hoping to live up to the bands potential.

Marcy Playground's sound is smooth and relaxed most of the time in songs like *A Cloak of Elvenkind*, *Gone Crazy*, and *The Vampires of New York*.

However, *Marcy's* harder side shows on *Saint Joe on the School Bus*, and *Poppies*. As far as solid songs, this album does it's part. My favorite song on the Album is *Opium*.

This group has four talented members: Dylan Keefe on bass, Jared Kotler on drums, Dan Reiser also on drums, and Jon Wozniak on guitar and vocals. Wozniak writes all the songs and his own emotions show through while singing.

These emotions show how much he cares about his music. The bass and guitar riffs are catchy too, all contributing to the positive aura of the *Playground*.

Wozniak and Keefe, originally from Mineapolis,didn't know each other growing up.

Then Wozniak moved to New York to continue his musical career. In New York's Lower East Side Wozniak met Keefe through a mutual friend. This was the birth of *Marcy Playground*.

All in all, *Marcy Playground's* first album gets a thumbs up. I honestly didn't think I was going to like *Marcy Playground*, but I was surprised to hear myself humming along to their songs.

This twelve track album is a good blend of emotion and musical talent. If you like Rock 'n Roll take a look at *Marcy Playground*.

Sami Dare gives a hypnotic performance in the Red Door

The world's only female hypnotist Dare's students to submit to her powers

by Ellen Gerber
***Weekly* Magazine Writer**

How many Muhlenberg students do you know who would pretend they were dish rags in a washing machine, and would actually throw themselves back and forth as if they really were caught in the spin cycle?

How many Muhlenberg students do you know who would pretend that they were fishing with one hand and violently swatting non-existent mosquitoes with the other?

In case you have actually seen Muhlenberg students doing such wild and crazy things, I guess I should clarify the question. How many **sober** Muhlenberg students have you seen doing any of these things?. . . That's what I thought.

Well, this past Saturday night in the Red Door Cafe, twelve hypnotized Muhlenberg students performed these tasks and numerous others, simply at the request of hypnotist Sami Dare.

Sami Dare, "the world's only female hypnotist" performed before seventy-five or so, students in the Red Door and hypnotized twelve of them.

These twelve students were selected after successfully completing a concentration "test."

Sami asked the entire audience to clasp their hands together and then she kept repeating that when she asked everyone to release their hands, they would be unable to because the bond had become so tight.

Those who could not unclasp their hands were those students who had great concentration powers and could focus easily—two attributes of a good subject to hypnotize.

Sami also explained that the best subjects are "people with good imaginations and ones who can quickly develop a certain amount of trust between themselves and the hypnotist."

Sami found all of these attributes in one of the subjects, Junior Samir Pandya, who had been successfully "hypnotized last year by a hypnotist who visited Muhlenberg." Pandya's experiences with hypnotists have been positive and he has found the hypnotic state to be "relaxing at times."

When told many of the unusual things which Pandya did on Saturday night, he was not surprised, and explained, "At no point are you not aware of things going on around you.

I realized that [Sami Dare] was asking me to do things that I really didn't want to do, but [because of your state] you figure that your going to do the things any way."

Another subject, Senior Glen Denys "was really skeptical [of hypnotists], but [because of his experiences] is definitely less skeptical." Denys had never been hypnotized before, and like Pandya, he too remembers everything he did.

Denys described the experience "like daydreaming. It' s not like you're acting, but it's not like you're forced to do it either."

On why Denys thinks that he was able to be hypnotized so easily, he commented, "I think it works if you want it to work."

He too felt extremely relaxed and although he did some wacky things, he still felt that "it was a good time."

Finally, the third subject who was most convincing was freshman Chris De Witt, who was not very skeptical of hypnotism, even before he was hypnotized.

During the show, Chris experienced the loss of his butt, and actually had to search for it. Also, Chris completely forgot his last name until he was told by Sami that he remembered it.

Chris believes that hypnotism is real, but that "there is a psychological basis for it." In fact, Chris would have no qualms about getting hypnotized again.

During all of this craziness, the rest of the crowd cheered on the subjects, for according to Sami, the louder the crowd cheered and clapped, the deeper the subjects' hypnotic sleep became.

Although the crowd was having a great time laughing at all of the outlandish things that Sami made the subjects do, some members of the audience were not convinced that all of the subjects were truly hypnotized.

Freshman Sarah Gibbons explained, "I think a few of them were really hypnotized, but that others were just acting. It was still a lot of fun, though."

Some students did not think that the environment lended itself to successfully hypnotizing subjects for an extended amount of time, or for that matter, any amount of time.

Freshman Diane Collazo "thought it was fake." She explained, "I think maybe you can be out for a couple of minutes but not for that long." Freshman Ryan Gardner "had a blast", and while he thinks that "hypnosis has some validity, [he doesn't] think it can be done in a situation like that."

Despite the skepticism of certain audience members, the Red Door Cafe was filled with roaring laughter for Sami Dare's entire performance.

In fact, if some of the subjects were faking, they were doing an incredible job. We will never know who was really hypnotized, and who was just acting, but I guess that is the price you pay for going to a college with a world renowned theater department.

Brett Adoff Unplugged in the Red Door

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Editor's Column

by Jay Faigenbaum

Last week, an article appeared in The Weekly that has attracted more attention than any other during my term as Editor-in-Chief. The Conservative Corner has been the talk of many people due to its controversial topic - ethnic pride.

I would like to preface this column by saying that I applaud Gene for having the guts to stand up and express his opinion despite the fact that it may not be popular. The Weekly stands behind its policy of printing all submissions to allow for an open forum for discussion among students. Perhaps that article is exactly what this newspaper needed.

However, I believe that Gene is sadly mistaken in his opinion. While we should all be proud to be Americans, I also believe as Americans we must realize that most of us have ancestors who were from another country. This country was built upon taking pride in where we come from and also accepting those who come from other backgrounds.

As for his reference to sports teams, I think Gene's view is extremely naive. I believe that for a team, any type of team, to function correctly, everyone must work together and share the pride. I will use this newspaper as an example. When an issue looks good, it reflects on every editor and we can all say "We did it!" Even if one editor did not contribute to that issue or had some mistakes in his section, we can all still take pride in a job well done.

Then there is the issue of taking pride in an ethnicity, race, or religion. The many posters around campus are publicizing events which can be all be of an educational experiences. We all came to Muhlenberg for an education and that does not stop when we leave the classroom. Perhaps one of the greatest parts of a college education is meeting people of all different backgrounds and coming to understand their beliefs. Organizations which represent a certain group give these people a chance to meet other people who have something in common and also gives them an opportunity to sponsor events which can teach the community as a whole something about themselves.

Gene's statement which read, "Because if you are not ashamed, and truly do not suspect you are inferior, it will never occur to you to say so," is probably the most absurd. People do not hang posters or join groups to prove they are not ashamed. Like I said, people join these groups to meet people they have something in common with.

Gene also says how hard it is to be proud to be a white and straight male. Well, perhaps the reason is because those people have always had all of the power, money, and pride. It has only been recently that other groups have been given the resources to succeed. I agree that everyone, including white males should be proud of who they are and not be ashamed to say so.

I can appreciate Gene's opinion on this topic but I completely disagree. However, the most important thing about the article is that he wrote it. Perhaps this newspaper would be more interesting if more students took a few minutes to write a letter or a column on a controversial subject. It would then make this paper more interesting and more relevant to the students it serves.

Student complains about poor quality of food being served to students in the GQ

To the Editor-

Today I am writing on behalf of all the students who feel they have been shafted when meal times come around. Let's analyze G.Q. (I would like to single out the staff at G.Q. ; they are great people). What does it stand for? I believe it means Greasy and Queasy; the way you feel after eating there. The food they serve is a joke! First, let's look at the prices. I can order a hamburger for $.85 or a cheeseburger for $1.00 ; similarly a double hamburger for $1.70 and a double cheeseburger for $1.85. The difference here seems to be $.15 for cheese and this is a stable price. Now, let's bring the price for a grilled cheese ($1.15) into the picture. If we subtract the $.15 for the cheese—in effect we are being charged $1.00 for two slices of bread (grease not included). Why is bread so expensive one may ask? What is the price of a loaf of bread? I did some research and got some prices (the average price for a loaf of bread among a few major brands is $1.45), and if the grilled cheese is more expensive than the hamburger, what does this say for the quality of meat we are being served? Well, this may be because the school food supplier is out to make a few quick bucks...I'll come back to this topic in a second.

Let's talk fries. Who ever invented the French fry would be embarrassed by the fries on campus. Our fries are more or less long, hard, thin crunchy potato sticks. They become hard and dry in no time! Not to mention they suck. Every "special" meal ordered comes filled with fries-and the majority are NOT eaten. Take a good look in the trash; the contents are probably 30% soda, 60% fries, and 10% other. Why can't we get thick luscious fries? An insider told me personally that it was because the thick fries are "more expensive". Wow...slow down here...did they say the "E" word? God forbid we get some quality! I think we pay enough money to come here. We deserve this! For the students who attempt to eat those fries, drenching them in ketchup is a necessity. However, we are only given one type of ketchup and for prospective students who visit this school,the ketchup experience will well be remembered forever. Why you ask? Because it sucks!! That fancy ketchup crap tastes like vinegar. Maybe they call it fancy because it is fancy cow dung. Can't we afford quality Heinz ketchup? This is where the extra money for the bread ties in. If we take the money you are ripping us off with on the bread and put into either the quality French fries or the ketchup...we the students would be much obliged.

Sincerely,
Jon Mandelbaum '99

Student Enbraces Howard Stern and His New Movie," Private Parts"

by Erik Cautin

"He's a pig, and I don't understand how you can bear to listen to him!!!" is the comment I get from most people (mainly women) when I even mention the name Howard Stern. I myself have been listening to the "king of all media" since junior high and continue to listen as much as possible. With two phenomenal books out, what could Stern do to become even more colossal? Make a movie, and that he did.

On March 7, Howard Stern revealed his "Private Parts" to audiences around the world and it was huge...the movie that is. Directed by Betty Thomas and produced by well-known Ivan Reitman, "Private Parts", like Stern's radio show was number one at the box office the opening weekend.

"Private Parts" tracks Stern's progress, giving audiences a "greatest-hits" version of his stunts and crazy antics that have boosted him to number one in all of his markets. But what makes "Private Parts" charming is his ongoing marriage to Allison, his wife of 15 plus years (played by magnificently by actress Mary McCormack). The movie answers the question, "What woman would stay married to that pig?" By the end of the movie, you realize that Howard is indeed an exemplary husband, superb father, and an overall great person.

You will have to see this movie twice to get all of the one liners, since the audience will be roaring most of the time. Remember to stay and watch the WHOLE movie. Don't try and beat the crowd to the bathroom, there is still more to laugh at after the credits start to roll.

Howard is joined on the screen by his wonderful co-host Robin Quivers (played by herself),along with Fred Norris, Jackie (the joke man) and Martling (both played by themselves). There was no acting problem for the talented foursome, they have been doing it naturally for many years!

Once you see the movie and really understand what Howard Stern is all about, tune into the radio program. It can be heard on 94.1 from 7:00 to 10:30 in the morning. He can also be seen on television at 11:00 at night on channel 43.

So like your parents have always told you, "don't judge a book by its cover." Don't call Howard a pig or anything else for that matter until you have seen his "Private Parts", and given his radio program a try. Believe me, you will NOT be disappointed.

An Outside Perspective

by Mark A. Koup
Opinion Editor

While reading Dave Barry's syndicated column in the *Morning Call* this past weekend I found out that Richard Berry, the musician who wrote "Louie Louie" had passed away. Mr. Barry lamented the loss of a fine musician, and he also felt that a part of his youth had died as well. Barry recalled playing Berry's hit on his guitar while learning the rudiments of the instrument, as well as playing the song at fraternity parties to the extreme pleasure of his band's audience.

I saw myself in that article. When I first took up bass guitar, I remember being extremely pleased when I taught myself "Louie Louie". Coincidentally, as Barry mentioned, when an aspiring musician learns Berry's hit he also learns "Wild Thing and Hang on Sloopy". The absolute beauty of "Louie Louie" is that it is essentially a joke to play on any instrument; it is only three chords and as Mr. Barry said "A reasonably trained chicken could play it". An added bonus of this song is that people truly enjoy to hear it performed. This is a timeless song; one with which we and our parents can both identify. I would venture to say that even the next generation of musicians will embrace this song, and perform it for a receptive audiences.

As I assumed the guitar two year after learning the bass, "Louie Louie" came along with me. Now I could sing along with it, and share it with an audience that was interested in hearing it performed. I can't think of too many songs from the era of "Louie Louie" that have endured as long or had as much of an impact on beginning teenage guitarists and bassists. It builds the confidence and keeps the interest of many musicians when more difficult songs become frustrating. Furthermore, it is fun to play.

I am often disappointed with the music of today. There have been very few songs that will have the enduring impact like "Louie Louie" had. The music industry seems to have caught up with the rest of modern society; its primary concerns are of a fiscal nature. I would love to see more songs that perhaps my children will learn to play, and look at me with an almost disgusted look when I tell them that this was a song from my youth and yes, even I liked it.

I think I am going to conclude this brief tribute to a great song that is timeless. I have a sudden urge to pick up my *Fender* and jam with a few three chord progressions. Thanks, Mr. Berry.

Letters to the Editor

Students take issue with Conservative Corner

Why do we do it? Why do we take pride in our culture, in our people and in our future? It is through these questions we choose to address Gene Bergenn's editorial found in the Conservative Corner. We thought long and hard as to how we would respond. We need to address this matter publicly because it is important for others to be aware of the opposite perspective. Furthermore, it is important for us to state that we do believe that he is entitled to his opinion as much as we are.

To begin, let's talk about diversity. Diversity in the workplace, in the community and in the world is the catalyst of true progress. In a world of international dependency, it is important for the members of our society to become globally aware in order to maintain favorable international relations. We are not an isolationist nation, we are all interdependent on each other. However, this is not only an international problem, but a domestic matter. Companies today are starting to realize that if they structure their marketing strategies to accommodate the needs of our diverse communities they are not only more competitive but they also gain higher profits. This is only one of many examples of how distinctions such as race, culture, religion and gender all play a quintessential role in today's society.

Moreover, all societies have a problem—history is written by the winners and the others have no voice in the matter. We believe that our school is doing a good job by providing us with a liberal arts education that includes awareness of other cultures through classes, exhibits, organizations and community service. In the words of Jesse Jackson, "America is more like a quilt—many pieces, many colors, many sizes, all woven together by a common thread." We are preparing for the "real" world which encompasses an understanding of those who are different from ourselves. By doing so, we are acquiring the tools that lead to success. Gene's article stated that "achievement is a lonely process" and the only thing that successful people have in common is that they did it alone. We vehemently disagree. Success is dependent upon the support given to you by your peers, family, community, etc. No one goes through life without being extended a helpful hand or even a supportive, kind word. A Native American once stated, "I have seen that in any great undertaking it is not enough for a man to depend simply upon himself"

Here is where community plays an important role and this, in turn, relates to culture. We, a Bolivian woman and a Mexican / Puerto Rican woman take enormous pride in who we are. It is important to realize that these identities make us who we are. Pride in our cultures, as well as the customs and the people embraced by them, are exactly what define us. We represent the evolution of our ancestors. We are the combination to "history" (be it good or bad) and await our places in histories yet unwritten. We take pride in these facts, and this should not be equated with inferiority. Inferiority is bred from a lack of knowledge of, and a pride in, your culture, ancestry, and community. By displaying the existence of different clubs on campus, we are educating the Muhlenberg Community and not trying to seem superior or inferior. Mr. Bergenn's "American" society is a very ethnocentric one that needs this exposure to become conscious of the world outside of its borders.

Lastly—so Mr. Bergenn says he is sick and tired of seeing the "Awareness and Pride" signs, the great black and women leaders exhibits, Jewish Awareness signs, Rainbow Space flyers and Communidad Latina posters? Great, then that means we are doing a great job in publicity. Thanks for the support and free advertisement.

As far our community (Latinos) is concerned, we are deeply saddened and confused by your hypocrisy. As a Spanish major, you've learned our language, become our friend and we invited you into our culture. You seem to have learned nothing from this experience. Through this type of betrayal, you will achieve the "individuality" you so desperately seek—for you will truly be alone!

Sincerely,
Claudia Ribera and Maida Pagan
(by the way, these are our real names and not derivations of them)

To the Editor-

I just wanted to respond to the article written by Gene Bergenn in last week's *Weekly*. To some extent I did have to agree with him that sometimes in the midst of multiculturalism we do lose our sense of national pride and our individuality, but I believe these cases to be rare and grossly overstated by Mr. Bergenn. From a minority perspective, it's very difficult to live on this campus, if not mainstream society itself, and see that you don't quite fit the trend. An African American need only walk through the student union and see the predominately white population, then look down at his or her black skin , to realize that he is a minority group. The same ideology applies to homosexuals on campus; when they see a heterosexual couple embrace or kiss in public, they are constantly reminded that they are different in the fact that they have feelings for the people of the same gender. In addition, I also find it inherently ignorant to believe that there should not be a Jewish organization, in light of the fact that Muhlenberg is a Lutheran school and the Jewish students are constantly bombarded with precepts of Christianity.

Bergenn's argument is inherently flawed due to the fact that the white, male, straight majority do exert ethnic pride; only this is mistaken somehow as a normal way of life. Most white males do not get strange looks whenever they walk into a convenience store, or when they express affection for the one they love, or when they go to church, or even when they speak in their native language. These ideals are normal to them, so they, of course, think nothing of them but to people worship, love, or live differently, it is an expression of white, Protestant, straight culture. It's just not as noticeable to them because it is their way of life. In a way we have a straight, white, male club by virtue of their majority status. They celebrate their freedom and rights through the very nature of their existence in American society. If that club isn't good enough, there's also the fact that white, straight males still have the full control of the national and state governments, most corporations, and middle class America. Mr. Bergenn, you and other white, straight males do express your culture, color, and orientation everyday. We simply want the same right. For every poster about important black and female historical figure, think of the high school and college text books that mention these groups only in terms of slavery, the civil war , the Civil Rights movement, and the women's movement. For every parade think of all the years gays and lesbians have been afraid to come out for fear of persecution. And for every Jewish awareness month, think of all the years that anti-Semetism was prevalent throughout the United States and Europe.

I do agree that no one should think they are special simply because of their race, religion, color, or orientation; such a viewpoint would be a gross injustice to all Americans in all walks of life. I also sincerely hope that the need for Multicultural organizations such as Communidad Latina, Rainbow Space, and S.A.G.E will end some day because we have learned to accept each other as people first and cultural categories second. In the same respect, organizations fighting for rights or ethnic, gender, sexual, or religious pride should not be scorned, especially the ones on campus. Minorities don't want to be thought of as special. They just want the same voice, rights, and opportunities that have become a way of life for the straight, white, male. To rewrite a biblical reference: those who have not embraced a culture, orientation, or religion, may cast the first stone upon multiculturalism.

Sincerely.
Christopher J. DeWitt

Columnist laments breakup through poem aimed at ex

Recently I broke up with my girlfriend. My mom told me there are plenty of fish in the sea, but I'm no Jacque Cousteau. Anyway, it was a messy break up. She wouldn't give back my Neil Diamond poster and I wouldn't give back her car. So here is a poem that I wrote about my relationship that is no more. WARNING: Grab your hankies because this one may tug at your heart strings.

The World According To Me
by Josh Northridge

Go Away From Me
by Josh Northridge

We used to be great friends who shared good times and laughter
Until I found out that it was my Phil Collins CD's you were after
That was the beginning of the end, oh love that was mine
You didn't have to fill my water bottle with turpentine
It wasn't funny when you told the police that I robbed you
Nor was the time you filled my jelly donut with glue
I didn't mind it too much when you shaved off my dog's hair
But why did you starch all of my underwear
Now it's my turn to speak and give my rebuttal
I would rather be strapped to the nose of the space shuttle
I would rather eat a bag of lint and stick peanut butter in my ear
I would rather march in a parade behind eighty-seven reindeer
than spend any more time with you
Now go away from me

Senior further debates Conservative Corner

Dowgin applauds Bergenn's courage but encourages acceptance of all walks of life

In the last issue of the *Muhlenberg Weekly*, Gene Bergenn spoke quite forcefully on the subject of ethnic pride, group pride and difference, a topic that it is difficult, if not impossible, for Muhlenberg students to avoid. Mr. Bergenn feels that events such as BGLAD week and Jewish Awareness Month do much more harm than good, focusing on what makes us different rather than what makes us the same. First of all, I'd like to applaud Mr. Bergenn's courage for speaking his mind quite freely on such a topic.

Mr. Bergenn, I understand exactly where you're coming from. I know it's impossible to walk around campus without being assaulted by banners regarding BGLAD week and Jewish Awareness Month. I can't pick up a newspaper without reading how the West side expects retaliation for the death of East Side's B.I.G. For years I've noticed that the Catholic Community, of which I am a member, seemed to be made up of Italians and Irish and Russians and so on, but the Jewish Community was made up of only Jews.

But I react to Jewish faith the same way I react to gay pride and black power. I admire it and I applaud it, not because I'm a gay black Jew but because pride swells in me for who *I* am. Mr. Bergenn notes that people of all faiths and colors and backgrounds have earned tremendous achievements in our time, but feels they have achieved *individually*. I wonder how those people you speak so knowingly of would react to that statement, because as an artist, I know that without their heritage and their history, those geniuses would have had nothing to write or sing or paint or learn *about*.

Who am I if I am not an Italian-Irish-Lithuanian-Austrian-heterosexual-white-Catholic? I'm me, and yes, that's wonderful. The right to individualism is the foundation of this country that I have believed in and stood by, sometimes naively, since I was born.

But the paradox of individuality is that without other people to recognize it, my individuality is nothing. Who, other than me, cares whether I'm a distinctive person or not? No one I know, nor would I expect them to. It's also strange but true that our relationships (not only to each other but to our past) are what make us the distinct people we are, and give us the basis to enjoy our individuality. Without all of you, I'm just another two-legged, two-armed, self-aware animal walking down the street, and to decide that ten thousand years of history should be cast aside because we may not all share all of it is the ultimate display of arrogance.

Mr. Bergenn makes many excellent points. Ethnic pride has been corrupted and warped to justify more evil and suffering than any other concept in the history of mankind. It is in many ways the most dangerous idea we as a society confront. I understand Mr. Bergenn's fear and there are times when I have felt it myself. But without it, we are nothing. We are alone. And because I am proud of da Vinci and Mozart and all the rest does not mean I am proud of Mussolini and Hitler just because they're both Italian and Austrian as well. Somewhere along the line group pride has become equated with acceptance of everything anyone of my group has ever done, and nothing could be farther from the truth; that's blindness, not respect.

The trick is to accept and love not only your own heritage, but to accept and love *all* of them. Accept and love the heritage of Jay Kaduson (whom I mention because he just walked by) as well as the background of Elmer Moore, Doctor Sinha, Professor Richter and Ambassador Gerasimov. Accept and love Ryan Kopf, the student who last week organized a benefit for AIDS patients and earned over $4,000 for research not because all AIDS victims are gay, but because they are all people.

Forgetting who we are and where we come from doesn't bring us any closer together, Mr. Bergenn. But when we finally learn to look at our differences, *all* our differences, and when we realize they're not so different after all, maybe then we'll be a little closer to where I hope we're headed.

John Dowgin, '97

Students Fault *Weekly* With Failure to Cover "Important" Events

To the Editor:

This past Friday night Muhlenberg College hosted Multi-Cultural night and to our disappointment the *Weekly* did not cover the festive evening. Multi-Cultural night consisted of songs, plays, fairy tales, dancers and poetry from various countries in an array of languages. Food from the different cultures was served before and after the performances. Being that the *Weekly* has a writer for the Conservative Corner berating Muhlenberg's celebration of its differences, it is also the *Weekly's* obligation to cover a night dedicated to the students' interests in honoring diverse cultures. This evening was well attended showing Muhlenberg's interest in celebrating different ethnicities. Congratulations to those who participated with all their time and talent. Muhlenberg appreciates your effort.

Sincerely,
Taisa Scors and Lauren Ravit

Weekly Editorial Board Responds to criticism about lack of coverage

To the Muhlenberg Community:

Recently, we have come under some attack for not adequately covering activities which occur on campus. There is only one response to that criticism, who is going to write all of these articles? We have very few writers who are already stretched to the limit. The editors can only cover so many stories considering they must also be responsible for typing and layout which take countless hours. Our "responsibility" as to what events to cover is determined by us, as the students who write most often for *The Weekly*. The reason articles such as The Conservative Corner exist is because a student got involved and opted to write. However, Gene is a columnist and writes what he wishes, not what we assign him. Also, we do not always know about everything that goes on here. We rely on word of mouth and the calendar, which are not always complete or accurate.

There is one easy solution to this problem, more people must write. If you are involved in something that you feel needs coverage, cover it. At least give us a call and let us know what is going on. If you care enough about your organization and you feel it needs publicity, write an article and submit it. We print EVERYTHING we receive (except articles with legal problems). We know in an ideal world we would cover everything since it is our job. However, this is not an ideal world and we cannot cover everything.

We ask for your help and understanding. Realize *The Weekly* does not have an extensive staff and therefore we ask for your help in producing articles. You can slip articles under our door or you can send it to our mailbox at 0106. Also, if you take a picture of an event for us which we strongly encourage, we will pay for the development. We can accept color and black and white photos. We will continue to do our best to cover campus events but everyone must understand we are students first and editors second.

Sincerely,
The Editorial Board of *The Muhlenberg Weekly*.

Editor Encourages Students to Write

by Mark A. Koup

As the editor of the Opinion section of *The Weekly,* I have never seen so much response to a column as we had with Gene Bergenn's *Conservative Corner*. I was extremely pleased that there was so much interest, and that it was both negative and positive. I am excited to have a writer such a Gene on board to write for *The Weekly* on a regular basis.

We need more students that are interested and willing to write for our newspaper, and have the nerve to put an opinion on the line, knowing that a disagreement in writing is a probable repercussion. Ultimately, we would like to have several different writers with varying opinions that could present different sides of an issue. This way the Opinion section of YOUR school paper would truly represent the majority of the student body. We as an editorial staff have differing opinions on almost everything, but there is only one opinion printed. We need more writers to present varying positions. Please contact *The Weekly* if you are interested.

Columnist Discusses the use of the word "racist" and overall Racism in America

Conservative Corner

by Gene Bergenn
Weekly Columnist

Watch Out For The "R-Word"

I don't think anyone really says what's on his or her mind anymore. In an age where political correctness flourishes like a rampant disease, so too does our fundamental right to freedom of expression. Back in the Middle Ages, there was a way to silence people who wanted to express something which did not coincide with the status quo. It was a term so repugnant that no one in his right mind would want it for a label. It was what Galileo and Copernicus were labeled after making some shocking discoveries that directly contrasted with the dogma of the Catholic Church. They were called heretics. That shut them up faster than any other term of that time period. They were literally forced to conform to the hierarchy which censored the truth from the general public. In other words, opinions had to conform.

I guess some things never change though because we, as a society, do the same thing. Oh, nobody worries about heresy these days because we have a different name for it. Today, heretic has been replaced by *racist*. It just shuts people up faster than anything imaginable, even a gun. It is a word that evokes such scathing emotion that people are frozen should it ever be tossed their way. They must suffer just as Copernicus and Galileo suffered.

Am I the only person who thinks society is too obsessed with this term? I don't mean obsessed when it comes to things like bigotry, prejudice, and outright discrimination- I agree that these things solicit proper restorative action. But, it just seems that it is being taken to every level imaginable.

Try turning on the news or reading a newspaper or magazine without coming across something about someone who is being a racist. It is impossible. Anytime anyone says the slightest thing that questions the liberal philosophy, he is a racist. If some poor soul happens to forget to run his genuine thoughts through that tiny politically correct chip that has been hammered into our brains by the liberals, then he is a racist. You have never heard of the p.c.-chip? It is like a spell-check, except instead of spelling, it corrects your thinking. It weeds out words or phrases, or converts them into euphemisms that might have otherwise offended someone. Scary, isn't it?

Now, I am not at all suggesting that racism doesn't exist. Of course it does. It can be seen in the Klansmen, militiamen, neo-Nazis, and aryan patriots. These people are insane and they disgust me. But, they are surely not representative of all whites. Also, that kind of blatant racism is not what I am referring to as far as what is constantly scrutinized today.

I am talking about the people who have the intellectual fortitude to realize that affirmative action is inherently wrong, and they say, "Wait... isn't all discrimination wrong? Isn't it a stereotype to assume that all whites have it better than all minorities?" They are immediately branded as racists.

This type of nonsense became especially clear to me as I was listening to my car radio a while ago. A black man called into a talk-radio show and complained that the constant coverage of the O.J. Simp-son trial was because he is black. What a joke. Any high profile celebrity would have gotten the same treatment from the media. Other blacks called in to back this guy up, and cited programs like "COPS" and "Real Stories of the Highway Patrol" as evidence of racism in the media. I sat there thinking to myself, God, haven't these people heard of Charles Manson, the Son of Sam, Jeffrey Dahmer, Ted Bundy, the Zodiac Killer, or the Unabomber?

So, not only are all the people who are against affirmative action, police officers and all of the media that run a story on a black defendant complete racists, but so are those people who want to reform welfare. Even a bleeding-heart like Slick Willie thinks we need welfare reform. But New York Congressman Charlie Rangel swears that when conservatives ask to cut welfare, they really mean that they want "to make blacks suffer". Welfare reform, according to Rangel, really means racism. Even that dolt Tony Brown said in his on-campus lecture that inflation "is a secret code word for keeping blacks at an economic disadvantage", and this was his primary impetus for creating his own black currency called "freedoms".

Even the president of Rutgers is a racist. He happened to make a statement that blacks' SAT scores are lower than those of whites, and therefore it isn't fair to use these scores to determine admission because blacks are disadvantaged. He is branded as a racist.

So today you can't publicly discuss affirmative action, crime, the death penalty, welfare reform, tax cuts, college admission standards, immigration, genetics, homelessness, or AIDS, or anything controversial. Everything has little code words. Everything is secret or forbidden. That's the land of the free and the home of the brave today. And who benefits? The Al Sharptons, the NAACP, the Jesse Jacksons. If you listen to them debate or speak, they can't go ten minutes without labeling whatever they are against as "RACIST".

And I don't even blame them for doing this, because it is so effective in silencing people. I blame those that let them.

Profile of a Mule: Tim Mantz

A weekly series highlighting prominent Muhlenberg athletes

by Steve Faella
***Weekly* Columnist**

Many people will tell you that your four years in college will fly by. For an athlete that time seems to slip by twice as fast. In his final year here senior Tim Mantz has led the much improved Muhlenberg baseball team into action. As the lone senior, co-captain, starting left-fielder, and lead-off hitter, this career .313 hitter has already led the Mules to more wins than all of last year.

Tim is a communications major who came to us from Newton High School in Newton, N.J. There he was a three-year letter winner in both baseball and basketball.

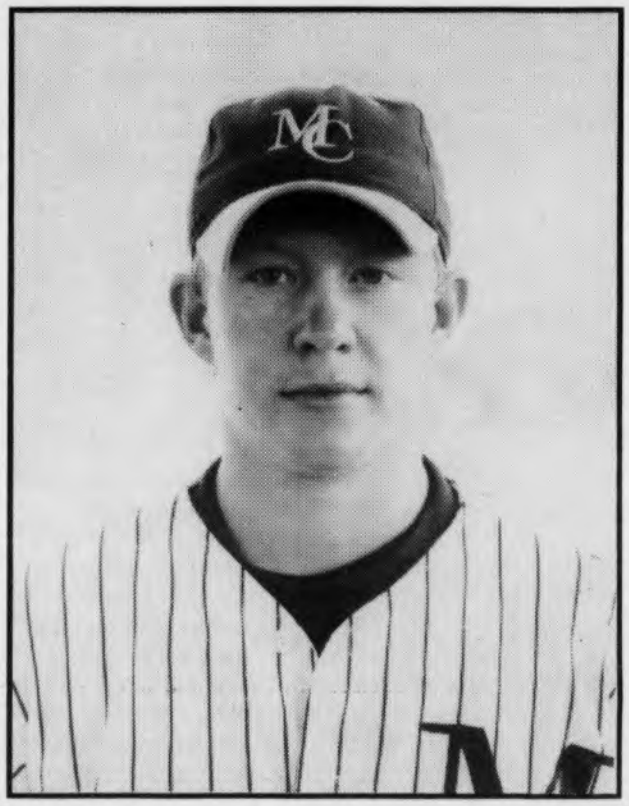
Tim came from a winning baseball program that won both the league and section champs his senior year. He chose Muhlenberg because of its academic reputation as well as the fact that he felt he had a chance to play right away.

And play he did! As a freshman, Tim batted .367 and finished third in the Centennial Conference batting race with a .473 conference average. Tim reflects back on that year:

"The seniors were real good, guys like Rau and Fritzy; they made it much easier to adjust. It was a lot of baseball, now that I was focusing on one sport," Mantz said.

"As far as my year hitting; I just never stopped swinging from Legion ball over the summer. "

Tim slipped a little during an injury plagued sophomore season. He was nagged by a broken hand, as well as a back that would bother him the entire year.



Last year, after a slow start, Tim's bat erupted. He blasted a team leading three homeruns, and led the team in RBIs as well.

He also finished the year batting over .300. This year, he has wasted no time in getting going. He had a great spring trip in Tallahassee, Fl. and has hit .500 since returning up North.

As of Wednesday, Tim was batting an impressive .450, collecting 18 hits. He has also totaled 14 runs scored, 4 triples, a .542 on base percentage, and 6 stolen bases.

All of these lead the team. He has also hit one homerun to lead off the game against Heidleburg and knocked in 7 RBIs.

If that is not enough for you, he is also enjoying an eight game hitting streak.

"Usually it takes a while for me to get going, but hopefully this will set the tone," Mantz said. "As the only senior, I felt that I had to start off hot." He has done exactly that!

Tim's 18 hits this season raises his career total to 98. He is attempting to become only the 16th player in school history to record 100 hits.

However, this would not be the only record he is pursuit of. Tim's four triples leave him four behind the school record. With twenty games to go, it could get interesting!

Tim is a quiet leader who leads by example. He describes it as a "quiet intensity."

Whatever it is, he is a good leader; and with myself being the beneficiary of much help from him, I thank him. Tim's season has not gone unnoticed. He has been selected to the Centennial Conference Honor Roll two weeks in a row now. Congratulations Tim! Come watch him and the rest of the Mules in action next week against Ursinus.

National Sports Update

Kentucky, North Carolina, Minnesota, and Arizona are the final four teams in this year's NCAA Tournament. The national semi-final games will be played on Saturday, and the championship game will be held Monday night.

Atlanta Brave outfielders Dave Justice and Marquise Grissom were traded early Tuesday morning to the Cleveland Indians for outfielder Kenny Lofton and a middle reliever.

Veteran tight end Keith Jackson retired from football Tuesday after finally winning a Super Bowl. Jackson now plans to start a career in television broadcasting.

San Francisco Giant first baseman J.T. Snow is hoping to return to the starting lineup in time for opening day after having his left eye orbit broken by a Randy Johnson pitch on March 11.

New Jersey Nets Head Coach John Calipari apologized Monday for his comments pertaining to sports writer Dan Garcia. Calipari called Garcia a "Mexican idiot," but insisted that the comment was an ill-advised attempt at humor.

The Philadelphia Flyers retain the top spot in the Eastern Conference of the NHL with a 4-3 win against the New Jersey Devils on Tuesday. Five teams, the Flyers, Devils, Buffalo Sabres, Colorado Avalanche, and Dallas Stars, have already clinched playoff spots.

Nine black NFL assistant coaches met with commissioner Paul Tagliabue Monday to voice their concers regarding equal opportunities for head coaching positions.

Women's tennis team drops two heartbreaking matches

Lady Mules lose 5-4 and 8-0 against Kutztown and Centennial Conference rival Gettysburg

by Scott Burke
***Weekly* sports writer**

Tennis is a tough game. Though it's been the pastime of the leisure class for hundreds of years, the refined connotations the game of tennis holds belies the game's intense nature. Because tennis is not a game. Tennis is a sport.

It requires quickness, strength, stamina, and an unnerving ability to maintain calm in the face of impending defeat, or imminent victory. The Lady Mules are starting out the '97 season showing they have what it takes to compete with the best.

On Thursday, March 20th, Muhlenberg opened their season away at Kutztown University.

"It was our best match yet against Kutztown," said Head Coach Linda Andrews. It was a good match, period.

Though five of the Muhlenberg eight were freshmen, these first year students all proved their readiness for intercollegiate play by showing the same focus and drive as exhibited by the three upperclassmen. The Mules played hard in the singles matches but managed only two wins.

However, combining good communications and skillful play the Mules took handily two out of the three doubles matches. These signs portend a good future, especially for the freshmen on the team.

"I'm thrilled how well we did in the doubles matches," Coach Andrews said. "We were really ready for Kutztown; the chemistry came together."

The pairs were led by Senior Captains Mel Moore and Kris Dieter. Junior Julia Hensley teamed with freshman Kristin Cahayla to smash Kutztown eight games to four, while the freshman duo of Julia Beyer and Amy Medalie combined to also defeat Kutztown eight to four.

In singles action, Marny Baxt edged her opponent 6-2, 7-5; Beyer also won her single match 6-4, and then shut out her opponent to take the second set 6-0.

Hensley took the first set of her match 6-7(7-5), dropped the second 6-1, and lost in a tight third set 7-6 (7-3). Amy Medalie also went three sets, getting out to a good 6-2 start to claim the first set, then losing the next two, 6-2, 6-3. Cahayla went 6-1, 6-1 and Moore fell 6-1, 6-4.

In intercollegiate play, six singles matches and three doubles matches are contested, and the winning school receives a point for each victory for a best out of nine final score. The Mules finished 4-5, dropping a very close match to Kutztown.

However, what might very well have been the greatest challenge the Cardinal and Gray shall face all season drove up to Allentown two days later. On a cold and windy March Saturday, the Gettysburg Bullets came to town.

Gettysburg is the defending champion, and the pre-season favorite to take the Centennial Conference Crown. The wind was gusting strong and fast, and so the match was moved indoors to the Life Sports Center's Fieldhouse.

The Lady Bullets, wearing Gettysburg's White and Blue colors, were confident as they stepped into the Fieldhouse's controlled climate. "Go Bullets!" they cheered for themselves, not getting any support from the Muhlenberg fans, except polite wishes for a clean and safe match.

Though Gettysburg sees itself as on its way to another Conference Championship, it was very clear that Saturday afternoon that they would not get there without a fight. If Muhlenberg would let them get there at all.

Gettysburg proved to be a polished team, and though Beyer fought hard for three sets, and though the doubles combination of Baxt and Beyer fared the best of the Cardinal and Gray pairs, it was just not enough as after a valiant effort, Muhlenberg fell in the battle with Gettysburg, 8 to love.

Baseball team splits doubleheader against Gettysburg

7-run explosion in first inning gives Mules first Centennial Conference win of 1997 season

by C.J. Lenat
Sports Editor

The Muhlenberg College baseball team played two games against Gettysburg last Saturday, and for the second straight year split the doubleheader.

The Mules picked up the win in the first game 12-7 behind the strong pitching performance of Junior Jason Jack.

Jack pitched a complete game for the win, striking out three and scattering nine hits and six earned runs over seven innings.

"I got the run support I needed when our bats came alive," Jack said. "And the team really backed me up defensively."

The Mules' offense really did come alive, putting up 12 runs, the most all season. Muhlenberg crushed six triples, a new NCAA Division III record.

Senior captain Tim Mantz hit two three-base hits, and Brad Collins, Steve Faella, Kevin Van Lenten, and Dutch Weaver each had one.

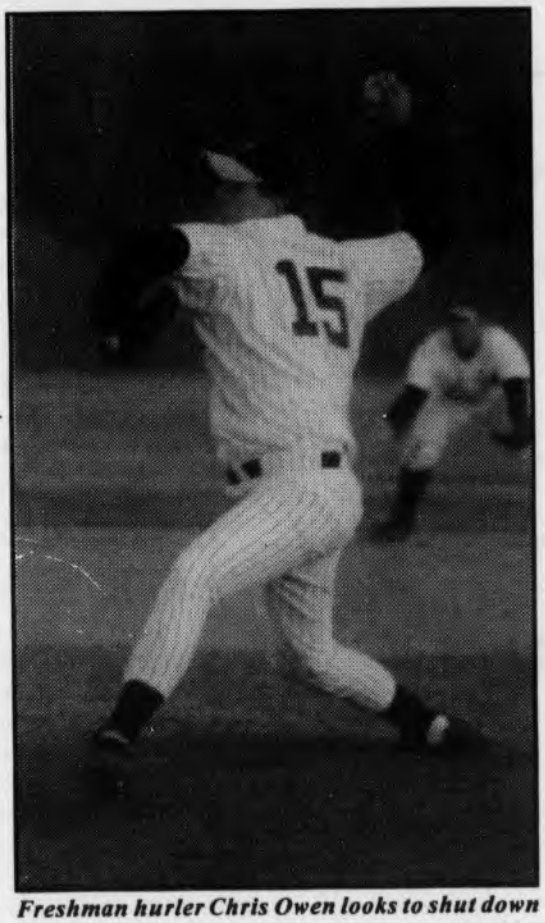
Besides the two triples, Mantz also hit a double and knocked in two runs.

The top of the order started the game off with a bang for the Mules, with Mantz's double, Collins' triple, and the fourth homerun of the season for Faella, who finished the game two for three with three runs scored and two runs batted in.

The Mules scored a total of seven runs in the first inning, including an incredible string of three straight successful suicide sqeeze bunts by Dave Sass, Weaver, and Rich Bruckner.

Muhlenberg kept the hitting going, scoring a run in the second, fourth, fifth innings, and two in the sixth.

Twelve runs were more than enough for Jack, who earned his first win of the year.



Freshman hurler Chris Owen looks to shut down the Bullets in the second game of the doubleheader. Owen is tied for the team lead in appearances with four.

The Mules were not so lucky in the second game, losing 6-3. Sophomore Marc Lezinski took the loss, dropping his record to 1-3 on the year.

Lezinski pitched well, however, taking a shutout into the sixth inning and striking out five, raising his team high to 20 before Gettysburg scored it's first run.

Going into the top of the seventh inning, Muhlenberg held a 3-1 lead, but behind two homeruns and five total hits the Bullets scored five runs to take a 6-3 lead, and the Mules were unable to answer in their last at-bat.

"If we had been able to score a run in the sixth, or if we hadn't had let their leadoff hitter on base in the seventh, they would have rolled over and played dead," said first baseman Brad Collins.

Steve Faella followed up his stellar performance in the first game with double, triple, and a run batted in in the second.

However, in his last at-bat in the bottom of the seventh, Faella tore a ligament in the bottom of his right foot trying to beat out a ground ball.

"The doctor said that it can be anything from two days to two weeks until I can return," said Faella. "But I'm going to try to come back this week, and I'll definitely be back for next week's games."

Muhlenberg showed great improvement defensively in both games, commiting only three errors in the 14 innings of play.

The Mules record is now 4-9 on the season, and 1-1 in the Centennial Conference, placing them in an early tie for first place.

The Mules have a tough schedule ahead of them, including five straight Centennial Conference matchups coming up next week.

Softball team starts off 1997 season 4-0

Lady Mules take both games of a doubleheader against conference rival Haverford

by Khara Pappadakis and Amy Bleakly
***Weekly* Sports Writers**

The confident Muhlenberg College softball team began their Centennial Conference crusade this past weekend, taking both games of a double header against Haverford. The Mules fought against the 'Ford's home field advantage and windy weather conditions to win the battle.

The first voctory was clinched from the start of the ball game. The Mules batted around twice in the top of the first inning before taking defense and shutting down the opposition.

Christy Rudderow started the game on the mound, and Co-Captain Dawn Sienicki came in with the strong close. The combo gave up only two runs the 17-2 victory.

Key offensive hits came from lead-off center fielder Ali Hatola and third baseman Jackie Vanderstreet. ck to back homeruns were crushed by catcher Liz Billie and shortstop Carey Hilton.

The game ended on a line drive double play to newcomer Jen Edel.

The winning ways continued in the second game of the double header with a 12-3 win behind a strong outing from freshman pitcher Heather Dreby.

The Mules solid defense made some impressive grabs, with the assistance of outfielders Ali Hatola, Amy Bleakly, and Shelly Markowitz.

Co-Captain second baseman Jodi Stephen started a rally inning with her speed and skill by laying down a California style bunt and a crowd-pleasing head first slide into first.

The team's hitting extraviganza continued to keep the Mules in the lead for the entirety of the game. It was a total team effort which brought the Mules' season record to 4-0, 2-0 in conference games.

The Muhlenberg softball team's jump-started success is partially attributed to the newly-formed coaching staff, consisting of newcomers Head Coach Ruth Gibbs and Assistant Lisa Nemeh, and veteran Assistant Coach Scott McClary.

Returning players are seniors Jodi Stephen and Dawn Sienicki, juniors Sara Bednar, Christy Rudderow, and Amy Bleakly, and sophomores Liz Billie, Kim Stubits, Ali Hatola, Shelly Markowitz, Erin Zimmerman, Khara Pappadakis, Jackie Vanderstreet, and Carey Hilton.

Additions to the 1997 softball team are junior Jen Edel and freshmen Chris Biechy, Heather Dreby, Chris Genna, and Melissa Nardi.

The team will be playing their home games at Patriots Park on 15th Street in Allentown. Watch for their continued success as the Lady Mules play Washington College this Friday afternoon at 2:30.

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Four Muhlenberg Students To Present Work at LVAIC Conference

by Lauren Casa
News Editor

Four Muhlenberg students will present their work at the third annual LVAIC Undergraduate Women's Studies Conference, "Interpreting Women's Lives, Imagining Women's Futures," at Muhlenberg College, Saturday, April 19, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Dorothy and Dexter Baker Center for the Arts.

Angel Weldon, of Lester, Pa., is a Muhlenberg junior studying as a sociology major and women's studies minor. She will present her research on "Relationships and Socio-Economic Status of Elderly Women in the U.S." on a panel on "Women's Lives at the End of the 20th Century."

Johanna Hollway, of Downingtown, Pa., a senior, is an English major and a philosophy minor. She will present her paper on "Ethical and Mystical Power: The Power of Antigone in Irigaray's Ethical Vision" on a panel titled "A Feminist Lens on Classical Texts."

Kristine Wilton, of Hatboro, Pa., a senior English major, will present "Defining the Gap: Alice Fulton and Luce Irigaray on Interval Desire" on a panel titled "American Women: Artists and Characters."

Kim Hoffman, of Northport, N.Y., is a senior and psychology major and women's studies minor. She will discuss "Women's Battle for Equity in Mathematics" on a panel on "Women in Education: Where We've Been, Where We're Going."

The highlight of the conference is the keynote address "Where the Girls Are: Growing Up Female with the Mass Media," by Susan Douglas, professor of media and American studies at Hampshire College and Media critic for *The Progressive* at 2 p.m.

Douglas is a leading authority on American studies, popular culture and the media. She has lectured at colleges and universities nationally and has written for *The Nation*, *The Village Voice*, *Ms.*, *The Washington Post* and *TV Guide*.

Douglas has appeared on *The Today Show*, *The Oprah Winfrey Show*, CNBC's *Equal Time* and National Public Radio programs including *Fresh Air*, *Weekend Edition* and *Talk of the Nation*.

Her book, "Where the Girls Are," was widely praised and was chosen as one of the top ten books of 1994 by National Public Radio, *Entertainment Weekly* and The McLaughlin Group. In this multimedia presentation, Douglas discusses the ways that television and advertising target women and young girls, and considers the effects of this on women's development and self-image.

Douglas' keynote presentation is sponsored by the Women's Studies Program, the Women's Issues Network and the Dean's Office at Muhlenberg.

Other student panels include, "The Artist's Woman and the Woman Artist," "Women and Sports," "Challenging Cultural constructions of Women," and "Creative Expressions: Women's Perfomance Pieces." Student panels are scheduled for 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. and again at 12:45 to 1:45 on Saturday.

Registration for the conference is $7 advance, $10 at the door which includes buffet lunch. For further information and registration forms, contact Patrice DiQuinzio, director of Women's Studies at Muhlenberg.

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English Department Sponsors Annual Brown Lecture Featuring Terence Hawkes

by Lauren Casa
News Editor

The Muhlenberg English Department held its tenth annual Brown lecture on Wednesday, March 26. This year's speaker was Terence Hawkes of the University of Wales, Cardiff.

Professor Hawkes's lecture topic was playfully and obscurely titled, "Bryn Glas" and which literally translated means blue hill. Prof. Hawkes discussed Shakespeare's construction of Wales and the Welsh people in the *Henriad,* the second tetralogy of plays Shakespeare devotes to English history, beginning with *Richard II* and ending with *Henry V.*

There was a relatively good turnout for the event. Students and faculty seemed to enjoy Prof. Hawkes's lecture and humor. One student from the Class of 1999 commented that the lecture was, "helpful in answering some questions about Shakespeare. Also, Prof. Hawkes was entertaining and his sense of humor was an amusing addition to the lecture."

Professor Hawkes is an internationally acclaimed Shakespeare scholar who is also well-known for his work in, and on behalf of, literary theory. His best known books are *That Shakespeherian Rag* (1986), *Meaning by Shakespeare* (1992), and *Structuralism and Semiotics* (1983).

Professor Hawkes is one of the most accomplished and influential of a generation of Shakespeare scholars committed to the study of literature as one of an ensemble of interrelated cultural practices. He is equally renowned for his pioneering work in, and on behalf of, literary theory as the General Editor of Routledge's invaluable 'New Accents' series.

Meaning by Shakespeare attempts a slight sharpening of focus and repositions the site of meaning in Shakespeare from the texts to ourselves. As Hawkes writes, "Shakespeare doesn't mean: *we* mean *by* Shakespeare." Rather than diminish the importance of Shakespeare's plays, Hawkes aims rather to extend their operation as privileged agents of social and cultural exchange.

In his Brown Lecture, Professor Hawkes offered a richly-historicized assessment of the construction of Wales in the *Henriad,* the second tetralogy of plays Shakespeare devotes to "English" history, beginning with *Richard II* and concluding with *Henry V.*

The John D.M. Brown Lectureship is underwritten by a generous gift from Mary E. Brown (1883-1951), who served as a Professor of English at Muhlenberg College for 37 years. John Brown graduated from Muhlenberg in 1906 and joined the Muhlenberg faculty in 1912. Dr. Brown was a remarkably versatile scholar and teacher.

He taught courses not only in English and American literature, but also in Italian, Spanish, French, and Art History. Dr. Brown was especially devoted to the literature of the English Renaissance, particularly to the plays and poems of Shakespeare.

Dr. Brown served as Head of the Muhlenberg English Department from 1927 to 1949. He was honored in his lifetime as the first recipient of the college's Florence T. Saeger Professorship.

In addition, Wittenberg University named him a Doctor of Literature in 1922 and Muhlenberg awarded him a Doctor of Humane Letters degree in 1948, a year before his retirement from the college.

Information courtesty of the English Department

Don't forget to vote on Monday

Elections for student council representatives and class officers will be held Monday in the Union all day. Students can vote for up to six representatives in each class and may vote for class officers in their own class.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Gene Bergenn,

Americans are Americans regardless of what our politics are. My perception of the various student organizations that we have on campus has been that within these groups there is an attempt to educate ourselves and others about our faith, identity, politics, et cetera, that we wish to explore and talk about those issues, take action and have fun. Your article argues that student groups promote a "tribal divisiveness" and that it "stops people from worrying about themselves, as individuals, and their own personal achievements." I say nay, for it is divisive to isolate or alienate yourself from the student groups that we have on campus simply because you have a latent paranoia that you are not included in these groups, for the door is open to all students. Many of the posters and advertisements of the student groups that we have on this campus go beyond "trying to prove they are not 'ashamed' or 'inferior'". Many of those posters are an invitation for *all,* including yourself, to join them in a meeting with the willingness to open your mind to something that you may not know much about, to learn about a belief, a religious doctrine, or culture, and to possibly have a good time in that sort of interaction and dialogue. I know this because those posters include meeting times, dates, topics to discuss, and events that the student group is implementing on this campus for everyone. I perceive your viewpoint of the student organizations that we have on this campus as a latent paranoia about anyone who differs from your beliefs, politics, and culture. For instance, it seems awfully divisive to talk about how "people of every ethnic group have achieved in one way or another" and then in the next sentence refer to people of every ethnic group as "*they*", instead of "*we*" (all italics are mine) because it implies that you have already separated yourself from *all people* in your own mind. It would be impossible for you to *not* fit in the "people of *every* ethnic group" phrase simply because you are a human being, as opposed to porpoise or butterfly. Your article makes wild claims as to why we have such display of ethnic pride on this campus. This perplexes me because on one hand you separate yourself from the student groups on campus in that you can't bear to look at those "wonderful posters" we have on campus. And on the other hand, you take on the position of "expert" by professing to know what ethnic pride really means. Yet, if you separate yourself from a sense of ethnicity, and do not say whether you have actually been to a few meetings of those student organizations that you so dislike already, *how do you know* what ethnic pride really is? How do you know why it exists? Your article implies that you do not have ethnic pride because you are an individual so how do you know so much about it? Your article does not even mention you asking others who display their pride why they do so, and what does it mean. Instead, you appear to have taken the position of the "expert" who is looking at the issue from afar and making wild guesses as to what you think you are seeing.

I find your article's claims to be a bit outrageous and rather laughable. Based on your assertion that ethnic pride is bad, and your underlying implication that identifying yourself with an ethnicity is not being American, I ask, "What does that really mean?" Does it mean that Jewish students on campus must go out of their way to avoid any talk (Goodness forbid) of celebrating Passover with Hillel, and tuck any Star of David necklace they may be wearing inside of their

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shirts to hide their ethnicity from others who are not Jewish? I think not. Should our student groups go underground and stop putting up posters so as not to offend? I think not. Should Communidad Latina retreat into a secret, almost contraband society because some people have a paranoia that if some members of a different ethnic group from them meet together that there is some divisive un-Americaness going on? Certainly not.

If you believe in the possibility of the "Jesse Jackson, multiculturalists, gay-rights activists, Rev. Al Sharpton" circus happening as you described rather humorously in your article, then you have proved yourself to believe in stereotypes, not reality. You have then indicated that in your mind you have already lumped those who disagree with you into categories, and stereotypes, instead of considering them as individuals with logic, and intelligence. How can you be an individual, if you do not allow people whose ideas are different from yours to be individuals also? You do not seem to realize that people are much more complicated than the circus you described in your article. I know that by writing this article I expose myself to being stereotyped as belonging to the "Farrakhan, gay-activist, multiculturalist" circus with their "rainbow space flags". I only care that this article gets read, that people begin to think about this, and talk about the issue, and take pride in their individualism, and yes, be proud of whatever they chose about themselves as part of a group, or as an individual. If your desire to be an individual gets overridden by a wish to be proud of being a straight, white, male, do so, but if you do so, I hope that you are not excluding those who are not while you are busy trying to make your point.

When your article purees together the issue of achievement as an individual event, instead of a group event, with the issue of ethnic pride you fail to validate your point with your Bill Cosby example, in which you said, "Because Bill Cosby has millions of dollars, are blacks better off for it?" The answer to that question is yes. How? Bill Cosby, although he is a man who has "achieved", has shown through his actions to be one who believes in the credo that it is valuable to give back to one's community. This is actually an American tradition that goes back to when America had an influx of immigrants. Together recent immigrants pooled together the money they earned from their jobs with other immigrants of the same ethnic background for building up ethnic neighborhoods, businesses, and places of worship in America that benefited the people who had the same race and/or religion as them. They provided opportunities for each other in this way when there were none to be had in America. (It reminds me of the Conservative viewpoint of self-reliance as opposed to too much reliance on the government.) Bill Cosby, along with his wife Camille, have donated millions of dollars in an act of philanthropy to benefit Blacks. The Cosbys donated millions to Spelman College, a historically Black women's college, to help keep the institution running by creating academic scholarships for women who wished to attend the college. Spelman college was founded because "once upon a time" Black women were not allowed to attend college. Before we turn this into a debate about the validity of Black colleges, I must remind you that colleges like Notre Dame, Brigham Young, and Yeshiva were created and supported by the philanthropy of Catholics, Mormons, and Jews, for young Americans who were Catholic, Mormon, and Jewish. Those institutions continue to exist today, and like Spelman, they continue as a support network for their people. The Cosbys' donations to organizations whose focus is on the college education of Black American students greatly benefited the Black students who have received the academic scholarships for college through the Cosbys' philanthropy. It is not an issue of divisiveness or exclusion because in 1997 non-Catholics are enrolled in Notre Dame, and the doors of Black institutions have been open to those interested who themselves are not Black. It is about the Cosbys' desire to give of themselves to young Black students because of their belief in education and opportunities being available for those students who cannot otherwise afford it.

Our actions and words affect others, even after we are punished or rewarded for them. Your article disturbed me enough to make me sit down and write a response to it. If you admit to focusing on personal achievement and being an individual, that is cool. But if you use it as a reason for condemning our student organizations on this campus, then you have only succeeded at alienating yourself from other people, not vice versa. The attitudes that you espouse in your article seem to condemn people for wanting to *unify* and talk about the issues that are important to them. It condemns the principles of self-reliance and democracy that America was built on by implying that the controversial and not-so-controversial (depending on your perception of course) issues that are being addressed on this campus are not important, or are not "American" simply because they are not issues that you consider to be important, or American. Your words hint at a paranoia that ethnicity excludes heterosexual White males from the dialogue of our groups and that is very far from the truth. Your article is divisive by condemning the idea that it is good to get together as a group to support those who are dealing with the same issues as us, whether it be the issue of a college student who is Christian and wants a place to meet others to study the Bible together, being openly gay and dealing with an environment that is uncomfortable with it, being a Jewish student who wants to get together with others for Shabbat because she is too far from home, or being a group of Latino, and non-Latino students who want to introduce Muhlenberg to the music, food, language, and culture of Puerto Rico that exists in our country's nearby Latino communities in New Jersey, New York City, and Allentown. Why? Because that is who we are,what we hold dear to us and what is a part of our experience of America in this country. We would be denying ourselves a potentially unifying, educational and fun experience among Muhlenberg students if we were to buy into your propaganda.

Respectfully yours,
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Consult the Mule. . .Your Weekly Horoscopes-by Jen Zwirn and Sherry Lynn Fazio

Aries (3/21-4/19)-OK, Aries, for weeks now people have been tip toeing around on egg shells when they're around you...and why, you ask?! Well, for starters, you've transformed your easy going manner into an inflated ego that somehow is beginning to push people out of the way. Of course it is great to be self-assured and confident and we're glad you can hold your head high, however, fewer and fewer people are willing to put up with your sudden attitude change. Everyone is already aware of how great you are...that's why you're so popular but come on now, the old you would have been the first to admit that self-praise is no praise at all.

Taurus (4/20-5/20)-Well, Taurus, it always seems to be something...so what is it now? You are the perfect vision of a Bull...you're stubborn and think headed sometimes. Snap out of it and come to your senses, before everyone around you gets completely fed up!! Instead of moping around like it's your job, pick yourself up and get your act together. Stop thinking of the worst case scenario in every situation. If you're going to think about your problems, why not spend your time pondering the good in things instead?! After all, life is too short to waste your time on things that won't even matter in five years!

Gemini (5/21-6-21)-Hey Gem, are you trying to be noticed or something?! Well, we know you surely like being the center of attention and finally, you got what you wanted...everyone else is starting to notice. There's nothing wrong with having all eyes on you, however, sometimes what you do in good fun could turn around and smack others in the face...and we know that's not what your goal is. You have the unintentional tendency to eat up all the attention you can possible get, even if it means hurting others along the way. Are you familiar with the saying, "Actions speak louder than words"?! Maybe for a nice change of pace you should do a few good deeds or just be a nice person instead of running your mouth at a mile a minute in order to take another head count of who is paying attention this time?! Soon you'll realize that some things don't require as much effort as you've been giving.

Cancer (6/22-7-22)-OK, Cancer, we know you've been under lots of stress lately but you just haven't been yourself and the ones that care about you are starting to worry a bit. You definitely have the tendency to keep your problems inside, but enough is enough. Your friends are here for you at the drop of a hat, so why not ask a few to listen up when you have something to say?! Attitudes should be saved up for enemies...not wasted on friends. We don't have much time left until summer and then things will only be changing more. How about using the precious time you have now to make the most of each day with those nearest and dearest to you. After all, though, you shouldn't need a reason, like an upcoming summer, or anything else to realize how special the people in your life are to you. Don't wait until something happens to appreciate all you've been blessed with.

Leo (7/23-8/22)-So, here we go again, Leo...isn't it time that someone put you in your place? Apparently you think you can have whatever it is you want at the snap of your fingers...well, wake up, Leo! People won't ask "How high?" when you say jump, so quit trying to control those poor brave souls who are blessing you with their presence. Whether you like it or not, life really doesn't work the way your little world has been lately. Sometimes what happens is out of our hands and you have to just keep quiet and suck it up. You should remember that even though you think you have good things to say, not everyone wants to hear them. perhaps you ought to pipe down and keep your comments to yourself! So, the next time you feel like taking control of a situation, rest your lips and here's a thought...share your ideas...with yourself...you may be the only one still interested.

Virgo (8/23-9/22)-So, Virgo, you've got a lot of things on your mind lately but apparently classes just aren't included. That's all well and good if you're prepared to deal with those grades you've got right now, but since you have a say in everything you do, why not grab hold of your thoughts (and grades) as soon as possible?! In other words, join the rest of us down here on planet earth! It is almost the end of the semester and you've got a long road to academic recovery. Well, like everything else in life, Virgo, you have to decide what it is you want and then follow through on it. It's probably better to know where you're going and exactly how you plan on getting there before you continue any further, don't ya thing?! See, things don't have to be as difficult as you make them out to be, but then again, that's what Virgo's are known for, their melodramatic tendencies. It's time to pick and choose!

Libra (9/23-10-23)-Well, well, well, Libra...it seems like you're switching your moods like crazy!! Sure last week you were running gossip central, but recently you seem to have something up your sleeve and people are starting to wonder what exactly it is! Your friends, and your enemies are smarter and sharper than you actually give them credit for, so even though you may think you're fooling others, they've really got you fooled! It's time you come to your senses and quit playing these childish games of "I know more than you do!" Of course, people trust you, (although we're not exactly sure why) so when others confide in you, you have to zip the lips! Whether you have some goods that you can't wait to spill or you just enjoy seeing others squirm, we're all onto your new game, Libra. We know what's up...it's only a matter of time until others catch on!

Scorpio (10/24-11-22)-Well, Scorpio, it sure looks like you've been the bearer of good news lately and all of your friends are patting you on the back for it, too! Why this sudden change of heart? It seems you've gone from that grumpy, moody person everyone used to dread to a happy-go-lucky spreader of good cheer. We commend you but are a bit curious as to what exactly you're doing...or do you no know either?! Whether it was the cold, blustery taste o' winter that's got you smiling from ear to ear or just your time to perk up for no reason at all, your friends are really enjoying this new-found mood and all of the smiles it brings along. Although lots of people are questioning your positive attitude, explanations to everyone are unnecessary...let them think what they want. After all, Scorp, you've never been one to care what others think.

Sagittarius (11/23-12/21)-Hey, Sag, how about putting that missing sparkle back into your eye...why are you suddenly walking around staring at the grass? Come on and pick yourself up already! Your face is one adored by all and it's no fun to see you so sad. Whatever it is that made you tear glands start to flow...get over it! Life will have its ups and downs and sometimes things will stink, but that is why there is a tomorrow. We never know what tomorrow will bring, but that is the beauty of a new day. So, Sag, dry your tears, pick your head up, and give us a smile!

Capricorn (12/22-1/19)-Well, Cap, you sure have made a bad habit recently! You just keep on walking around complaining your little heart out about ho long your lest is of things to do. Here's a suggestion that you've probably heard from Mom every now and then...instead of moaning about your work, do it! Of course, it's quite a task for you to actually sit down and get yourself in gear, but imagine all of the time you'll have once you get everything on the lengthy list done. If only you spent more time doing what you set out to do, Cap, you could get a lot accomplished. Quit yapping about your future and do something now!

Aquarius (1/20-2/18)-Poor Aquarius...it seems like you have just turned into the subject of every joke for the past week, at least! Why is this do you think? Well, when you do silly things you should always expect your friends to remind you of this as much as they possibly can! All you can do now is laugh it off...don't take anything too seriously. This is just another one of those lessons in life that everyone needs to learn sometime. This whole process isn't really smooth sailing, however you're pretty strong and we're confident that you'll survive. At least you'll know for the next time...think about your actions before you pick up the phone or walk out the door. It will always come back to haunt you.

Pisces (2/19-3/20)-Hey there Pisces...well aren't we just the definition of fickle lately?! You seem to have become just like a little bunny rabbit...hopping from this to that! What's up with this?! It is important, just about crucial to have fun at this time in your life, however, you don't want to burn your bridges during all your jumping! You will earn something from everyone you meet in your lifetime, but at the rate you're going, you'll be writing a new set of encyclopedias from all your recent wisdom. Stop and take a breather...collect your thoughts... save some time for yourself. So have fun, enjoy yourself.

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Student Council Will Feature New Faces

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

On Monday, the student body had the opportunity to vote for class officers and student council representatives. Every student was able to vote for up to six representatives in each class and for class officers in their own class. According to Student Body President David Silber, 547 students voted in this election.

The President of the junior class, Mark Urban, was not up for re-election because he was elected earlier this semester after former President Mike Taliercio resigned the position. Melissa Margaritis, who had previously served as her class secretary, ran unopposed for vice-president. Brett Coplin and Blaec Croft both ran unopposed for treasurer and secretary, respectively. Former class officers Darrell Drason and Taisa Scors did not run for re-election because they will be studying abroad.

The senior class was given a survey prepared by class president Mark Urban which allowed the students to have input in events that will be planned for next year.

Treasurer-elect Brett Coplin commented, "We are looking forward to a productive senior year. We are progressing with fund-raisers already. We are looking for as much help as we can from the senior class to make our senior year incredible."

The class of 1998 representatives for the next year will be Denise Diorio, Lauren Ravit, Georgette Weaver, Yale Needel, and Carly Ringer. The sixth seat from that class will be filled in the Fall in a special election.

Class of 1998 president Mark Urban was not up for re-election since he was elected earlier this semester. He has many plans as senior week creeps nearer for his class.

Carly Ringer, a new representative in the class of 1998, thinks council will be great next year.

She said, "I am extremely excited for next year. There is so much planned for the sesquicentennial year. I think that council will have a large impact on these events. It is going to be the best of the four years I will have spent here."

The class of 1999 also featured many class officers running unopposed for re-election. President Jaime Hollender, treasurer Jay Faigenbaum, and secretary Jill Fornal all were re-elected to a third term with no opposition. Kellie McVaugh was successful in winning her first term as vice-president over write-in candidate Seth Leichter.

Secretary Jill Fornal said, "We are all really excited to be re-elected and would like to welcome Kellie to out class council. We are looking forward to another great year and have a multitude of plans in progress already."

Four of the five incumbents running for re-election as representatives to Student Council were successful in winning another term. Ayla Tezel and Chris McClary were successful in winning their third term. Jen Zwirn and Stefan Miller were successful in winning second terms. Newcomers Chris Subbio and Jason Donnelly filled the seats formerly held by Rachel Koch and Elmer Moore. Moore chose not to run for a second term.

Jen Zwirn said, "My goal is jut like it was last year, to do whatever the students want. We represent the entire student body."

In the class of 2000, incumbent Carlos Munoz was able to secure a second term as class president. The rest of the class council will include vice president Sam Stein, treasurer Drew Bitterman, and secretary Jen Kloin.

Carlos Munoz said, "First of all, during my campaign, I found that people don't know who we are and what we do. I would like to open lines of communications by starting a newsletter. Also, I would like to combine fund-raising and creating opportunities on campus. We would like to sponsor more trips. As president, I would like to continue helping MAC and improve food condition through student council. I want to make the East Side Eatery permanent and change both the food and the setup in the Red Door.

The six student council representatives from the class of 2000 will be incumbents Lisa Ansorge, Holli Elgart, Milena Negrao, Aaron Dorfman and newcomers Kenyamo McFarland and Ruben Ortiz.

Senior Ball Sure To Be A Hit

by Lindsay J. Bennett
guest writer

In one word, the best way to describe this year's Senior Ball for the Class of 1997 is EVENT. This year's Senior Ball will not merely be for a few hours of one evening, but rather — for thise who wish - a two day event at the elegant Fernwood Pocono Resort.

Those that choose to take full advantage of Fernwood may elect to reserve any number of different deluxe rooms at special specifically set for Muhlenberg. Rooms begin at eighty dollars per evening to - for an additional twenty-five dollars - rooms that include Jacuzzi tubs (both traditional and heart shaped) as well as rooms with saunas, stereos and electric fireplaces. Regardless of what room is desired, all rooms equipped with full bath and shower, color television and cable.

Whether or not you choose to reserve a room for the evening, all attending are welcome to enjoy the resort's facilities. Available facilities include the resort's pool, saunas, Jacuzzis, weight and game rooms, and for those interested, tee times are available for a small cost. Free transportation will leave Muhlenberg Friday, May 16 at 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. and return to Muhlenberg immediately after the Ball and on Saturday, May 17 at 11:00 a.m. Recovery time has been allowed for those possibly nursing "leftover memories" of the ball before the Family Party on May 17. The party will start from 1 p.m. and end at 3:30 p.m.

The actual ball itself will begin with cocktails and appetizers served from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. From 7:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., dinner will be served. An open bar with beer, wine and mixed-drinks follow until 1:00 a.m. While this is five dollars more per person than in past few years, the ball has never before offered an open bar including mixed-drinks. Also, the Ball has never been held at a resort.

In addition, those of you that wishto invite underclassmen or non-Muhlenberg dates can register your guest with Campus Safety in the event they may need to remain overnight with you on campus.

The point to having this year's Ball tucked away in the Pocono's Fernwood Resort is to make it an affair that will not easily be forgotten. It will be one of the last times that the class of 1997 may gather to celebrate and rejoice with one another before graduation. It took four years to get to graduation, shouldn't it take at least two days to remember?

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News Digest

courtesy of USA Today
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News Editor

Imports of Japanese vehicles are surging as a soft yen lends muscle to Japanese automakers' pricing in the USA. Detroit's Big Three automakers say Japanese companies are playing the weak yen and exports to boost profits and Japan's struggling economy. The complaints come as Japan's trade surplus with the USA widened in February for the second month in a row.

President Clinton and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu Monday were unable to announce a revival of dormant Mideast peace talks. After a two-hour White House meeting, there were few public signs of progress. Clinton said they had a "frank, candid and long talk."

Wal-Mart upstaged General Motors in the *Fortune* 500 as the largest corporate employer, reflecting fundamental changes in the U.S. economy. Wal-Mart emplyed 675,000 worldwide last year vs. 647,000 for GM, topping the automaker for the first time according to the annual *Fortune* list released Monday. Unseating GM reflects broad U.S. employment trends.

The Social Security Administration defended on Monday its practice of making taxpayers' financial records available on the Internet, despite concerns that millions of Americans' privacy has been compromised. Although the Social Security Administration says they will "monitor the use of the service," critics argue that a determined individual can access information easily about someone else's annual income and expected Social Security benefits.

A former drill instructor at Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland pleaded guilty to having sex with trainees in violation of Army rules but denied charges that he raped eight women under his command. He could get life in prison if convicted of a single count of rape.

Space Shuttle Columbia and its crew return to Earth today in a disappointing end to a mission cut short by a potentially dangerous power failure. Some of the seven astronauts used flashlights to squeeze in a few last-minute experiments Monday in the science lab aboard Columbia.

Mayor Richard Riordan and state Senator Tom Hayden tried to attract black voters, and Hayden's wife crooned an Irish tune, as their suspenseless contest wound down Monday. Former student radical Hayden, who started campaigning late, is trailing the first-term Republican mayor by up to 22 points in polls. Riordan is expected to win by a wide margin.

The search for Air Force Capt. Craig Button and his A-10 Thunderbolt II fighter jet loaded with four live 500-pound bombs shifted Monday to an area near Vail, Colorado. Button has gone through extensive survival training and has plenty of survival gear but they are "assuming [he] is alive."

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Lager speaks at the 'Berg

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The second, of economics, is to make money so the employees can receive a good wage. And the third and most important, of social aspects, is to integrate concern for the community into day-to-day business. For example, they chose the Graceton Bakery to make their brownies. This company employs Zen Buddhists who use their profits for counseling of employees and the community. Ben and Jerry's paid them $1 million to increase their profits, employees, and available counseling.

Lager said that there were five things he wanted the audience to take away with them. First, no small business gets success without a lot of hard work from a lot of people. Second, it helps to be lucky, or in other words, to see opportunities when they present themselves. Third, small businesses need to listen to their customers. Fourth, it is possible to run a socially responsible and successful business, but that doesn't exempt them from other problems with management. And fifth, "you can do it!"

The evening ended with a smorgasbord of Cherry Garcia, vanilla bean, and chocolate ice cream.

Students raved Lager's presentation. Jodie Beaver said it was very interesting. "It's really great to see a small business grow into a whole industry and have such a positive impact on society." Another student said, "Ben and Jerry sound like such fun guys; it's cool to hear a rags-to-riches story that has a good impact on everyone, not just Ben and Jerry."

Attention Business and Accounting majors!!! Are you interested in some practical experience? If so, you can become a member of *The Weekly's* business department. If you are interested, please contact Brett at x4818 or *The Weekly* office at 3187.

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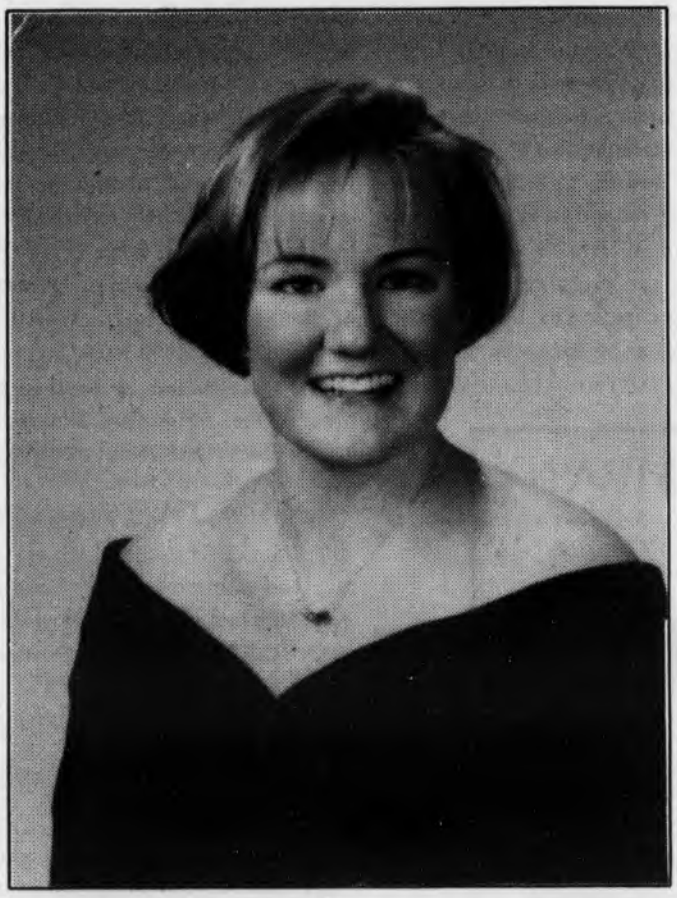
Student Leaders of the Week

Amy Brown



by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

This week's Student Leader of the Week, Amy Brown, is an active, energetic member of the Muhlenberg Community. She is a Human Resource Administration Major and a member of the Elementary Education Certification Program.

Amy has been a leader on the Muhlenberg campus in a variety of organizations. She is currently serving her third term as a Resident Advisor in Brown Hall. She is a member of Phi Mu, the yearbook staff, the education society, and the Muhlenberg College Choir. Amy is a member of the tour guide program and serves as a tour guide trainer for new guides.

Amy has found being an RA extremely rewarding. She said, "One of the great things about being an RA is helping people everyday in many different ways and being appreciated and valued by the residents of your floor and residence hall. The job of an RA is not easy; you have responsibilities and duties to perform that sometimes do not make you popular with residents. However, I've had a lot of people thank me after the fact - and it is great that they respect me for that. As an RA, I've met a lot of wonderful people and made some life long friends. I've also had the opportunity to work with some of the most dedicated, hard working, and inspiring administrators, faculty, and students at Muhlenberg."

Amy has also received a great number of awards and distinctions while at Muhlenberg. Amy has spent several semesters on the Dean's List and was listed in American Universities and Colleges Who's Who list. She was chosen to be part of the Order of Omega, which recognizes outstanding Greek leaders. She is also a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, a leadership fraternity and served as vice-president of that organization. In a recent publication of the education department, she was pictured and published.

Amy feels a leader is "A person who has taken advantage of what "Berg has to offer."

She also feels, "Commitment, dedication, and hard work make a person a leader. Ability and talent aren't enough. Leadership is the product of ability and talent combined with relentless practice and tempered by training and experience. But even then, leaders give more - they give their heart and soul. I'm always striving, maintaining the highest standards, looking after that smallest details and going after that extra mile. I guess that's my personal philosophy and values; it's just the way I do everything. I compete against myself. I enjoy going beyond the call of duty and doing more than what others expect.

Amy's first year residents commented, "She really takes time for her residents (and has done this for three years now in Brown) and people on campus. She gives everything she is involved in 200% effort. She really loves "Berg and she shows support for all organizations and activities on campus. She always has a smile for everyone."

Megan Bosso

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

Last week's Student Leader of the Week is a talented and involved person, Megan Bosso.

Megan is an English major who plans to take a year off before attending fraduate school to further her education.

Megan has been a member of the Dynamics for four years and is currently the manager. Megan is also active in other singing groups such as the College Choir and an opera group. She is the head resident of East and last year was an RA in Prosser. She is also a tour guide and a member of the Omicron Delta Kappa leadership honor society.

Bosso says her favorite activity on campus was the Dynamics. She said, "I really enjoyed managing the Dynamics this year continuing to help it flourish."

Congratulations to Megan and we wish her the best of luck inthe future.

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Muhlenberg Honors Entrepreneurs

information courtesy of public relations

For the fifth year in a row, Muhlenberg College will honor outstanding entrepreneurs during its Annual Distinguished Entrepreneurs Awards Dinner, which will be held next Wednesday at Congregation Keneseth Israel.

This year's national distinguished entrepreneur is Alex Adelson of Peekskill, N.Y. Adelson, a 1956 Muhlenberg graduate, is president of RTS Research Lab, Inc., an engineering and marketing consulting firm started in 1974. In addition, he is director and chief technical consultant to Base Ten Systems, Inc., a 31-year-old defense firm that five years ago began a commercial division dedicated to redirecting its highly specialized defense safety critical software technology into the emerging regulated manufacturing industries with a concentration on the health care industry.

Base Ten's hottest product is the Pharmasyst product group, a safety critical software technology for controlling the entire manufacturing environment from receiving to shipping and from discovering all the product development steps to full scale manufacturing. Recently Base Ten's Pharmasyst's Paperless Batch Recording System became the first ever to reach validation for FDA permitted manufacturing. This has been a goal the industry has been trying to achieve for ten years.

During the 1970s and the 1980s, Mr. Adelson helped found Symbol Technologies, Inc., a New York Stock Exchange Company dedicated to handheld bar code technology.

Symbol is now the undisputed leader in that field, recently exceeding one-half billion dollars in sales. Mr. Adelson is the recipient of a Gold Medal Award from the National Retailers of America for work done for HBO. Mr. Adelson is a holder of more than 70 patents and trademarks internationally.

This year's local distinguished entrepreneur is Nat L. Hyman of Allentown. As president and chief executive officer of The Hyman Companies, Hyman has guided his company through one of the most treacherous times in retailing history. His company has emerged as the world's largest chain of elegant costume jewelry stores, uniformly recognized as the most dominant force in the industry.

The first N. Landau Hyman store opened nine years ago on Worth Avenue in Palm Beach. Today there are 42 boutiques situated in exclusive shopping venues including Trump Tower, The Waldorf Astoria and Caesar's Palace.

As a result of this explosive growth and remarkable success, Mr. Hyman has received numerous honors and awards including being recognized as Entrepreneur of the Year by Inc. Magazine, Merril Lynch and Ernst, and Young.

In addition, he was inducted into the Young President's Organization and in 1995, was named by President Clinton as one of the ten Presidential Delegates to the White House Conference on Small Business.

The Hyman Companies corporate headquarters are in Allentown as is one of the stores which is located in the Village West Shopping Center.

Muhlenberg College was one of the first liberal arts colleges in the nation to offer a major in Entrepreneurial Studies. In this program, under the direction of Dr. Sandy Weinberg, students may choose Entrepreneurial Studies as a major or a minor within the department of Business and Accounting. The program provides students experience with the process of developing an effective business plan; the techniques of developing an effective business plan; the challenges of managing a start-up business and the methods of capitalizing a business through venture and other strategies. Entrepreneurial students develop their skills in an applied classroom environment, and test their abilities in internship experiences.

In addition to other distinguished honorees, Jason Goldberg, of Columbia, S.C., a Muhlenberg sophomore will receive the Paul M. White '27 Business Award. This award was established in 1994 by Muhlenberg College alumnus Paul White. A long-time buyer of ceramics, tiles, and plastics for Sears, Roebuck, & Co., Mr. White created the award to stimulate interest among students to specialize in the broad marketing field.

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We All Scream For Ice Cream

Chico Lager Speaks Of Days At Ben and Jerry's

by Jenny-Lynn Knotek
Assistant News Editor

Last Wednesday night, there was free Ben and Jerry's ice cream in the Field House. Fred "Chico" Lager, the former CEO of Ben and Jerry's, brought some for dessert after his presentation on morality in the workplace, the theme of this year's Center for Ethics. Is it possible to be financially successful and morally good? Lager believes so.

Ben and Jerry turned a small ice cream parlor into a multi-million dollar operation, and they did it on their own terms. The two men met at school on Long Island. According to Lager, "they were the two slowest kids in gym class." Ben went on to Colgate University, but dropped out after a year and a half, holding a variety of odd jobs. Jerry finished Oberlin College as a pre-med, but was rejected at all of the medical schools to which he applied.

The two got back together to open a business; Lager said, "they liked to eat, so food was the obvious choice." They initially wanted to start the United Bagel Service, UBS. The two would deliver fresh bagels and lox and the New York Times on Sunday mornings; unfortunately, it could only work on Sunday mornings, as that is the only day the Sunday New York Times is published. So they decided to start an ice cream parlor.

Ben and Jerry went to the library and borrowed the book, How to Manage a Small Business, published by the Small Business Administration. Lager still has this book, but Ben and Jerry "only have to pay the fine if they lose the library card in the back of it. It's still here." They then took a five dollar correspondence course in ice cream manufacturing from Penn State, and took the $12,000 they had to fix up an abandoned gas station in Burlington, VT.

In May of 1978 Ben and Jerry's opened for business, and it was going great until winter, when sales were terrible. They tried several promotions, including "Popsibizwee," where the colder the weather was, the cheaper the ice cream.

On the one-year anniversary of their opening, Ben and Jerry had a Free Cone Day. However, because they had no money for real advertising, they put up fliers in town. After this, they began to wholesale their ice cream to restaurants, and eventually packaged it in pints for our consuming pleasure.

Lager said that each man had a motto. Jerry's is, "If it's not fun, why do it?" and Ben's, "Business has to give back to the community." These were on those fliers in Burlington, and they are still their mottoes today. They are based on morals, and hold true even under their huge business.

In 1983, the company spread from upper New England into the Boston area, putting it in direct contact with Haagen-Daaz, the number one super premium ice cream (being highest in butterfat, lowest in air, and as Lager argues, "lowest in calories"). To compete, Ben and Jerry's used guerrilla marketing. They took a van into Boston, and during the day would enter business buildings with pints and spoons. The best way to get publicity is to give the consumer a taste, Lager said. And this marketing method worked very well.

Then there was the big Pillsbury skirmish. Pillsbury bought Haagen-Daas, and threatened to cancel orders to distributors if they continued to sell Ben and Jerry's. Although this was illegal, it would not hold up well if Ben and Jerry took Pillsbury to court, as they had a board of legal defense, and Ben and Jerry's didn't even have a lawyer. So instead of a court decision, Ben and Jerry had a revolt against Pillsbury. Jerry held a one-man picket in front of the Pillsbury main office, and they put a 800 number on their pints for customers to receive form letters to send to Pillsbury, and a bumper sticker saying, "What is the Dough-boy afraid of?" Ben and Jerry's also put up some billboards on highways. In all, Ben and Jerry's received a lot of free advertising by this, through AP press coverage of Jerry's picket and regional newspapers as well as the Wall Street Journal, and Pillsbury basically lost their bet of having distributors only buy Haagen-Daas. Now, everyone in the US. knew about the Vermont based company. Ben and Jerry's went from $1 million to $46 million in a four year period.

Why were Ben and Jerry so successful in the ice cream industry? According to Lager, it was because their product had a good marketing image, and their flavor selection was impressive. Ben and Jerry's decided to take on a completely opposite image from the sophisticated Haagen-Daas and other competitors. They chose a "down-home and funky" image, Lager said. Of course, their flavors are always incredible. Most of their ideas are from customers. Two dead heads offered Cherry Garcia, stating that anything labeled with the Dead sells. It is now their number two flavor, second only to Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough. This flavor was also a customer's idea. However, Lager said, not all customer's ideas make the cut. One such example, was "Scoop-a-Jesus." The customer who gave this one didn't leave a list of ingredients.

The mission statement of Ben and Jerry's is based on linked prosperity. There are three mission statements. The first, of the product, is to simply make good ice cream.

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Feeling Down? Stressed Out? Try Moving Some Furniture!

FENG SHUI

Lecture by Melinda Joy Miller
7 PM
Tuesday, April 15, 1997
Muhlenberg College - Recital Hall

Feng Shui, the art and psychology of placement, seeks to achieve balance and harmony to connect us with our destiny, financial success, security and wisdom.

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Melinda Joy Miller, Feng Shui Master, is the Founder/ Director of the Shambhalla Feng Shui Institute.

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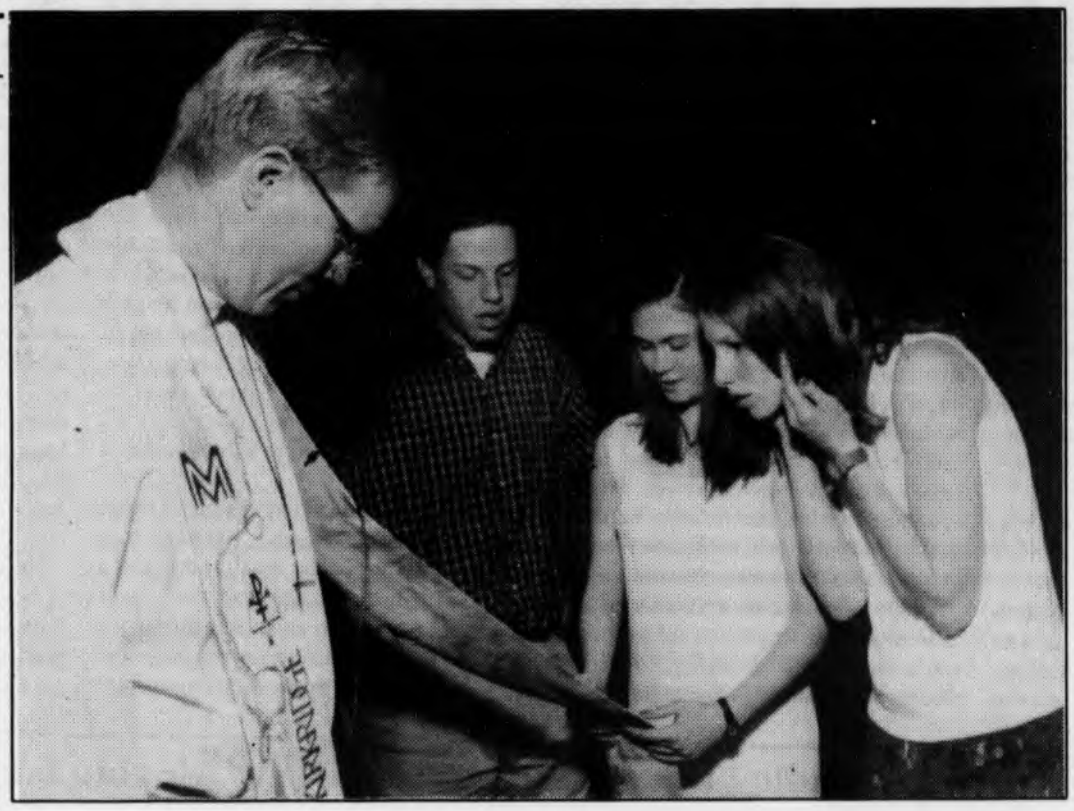
Muhlenberg Installs Don King as Official Chaplain

by Laren Casa
News Editor



The Reverend Don King was installed as chaplain of Muhlenberg College this past Sunday in Egner Memorial Chapel. The service was officiated by Bishop David Strobel of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. King has been at Muhlenberg since the beginning of the year.

Installation is a celebration of the entire community, not just Lutherans. Members of all denominations were present to witness the installation of the Reverend King. Father John Krivak from the Newman Center and Patti Mittleman from Hillel were both in attendance to offer their support. They showed that the whole community is embracing Reverend King. President Taylor and Mrs. Taylor were there and President Taylor spoke words endorsing King in his new position.

King came to Muhlenberg from Cleveland State University and CASE Western Reserve State University where he was campus pastor, providing counseling and crisis intervention, developing a retreat program and enriching all aspects of worship.

Ordained in 1978 by the Lutheran Church in America, Rev. King holds a bachelor's degree in psychology and a masters degree in divinity. He has participated in a year of clinical pastoral care and received endorsement for ministry in Specialized Pastoral Care from the ELCA. His first ministry was as a parish pastor in suburban Detroit, followed by ministry in a parish in inner-city St. Louis.

Coming to Muhlenberg marked one very big change and adjustment for King. This is the first time he has served at a school with a religious affililation. Furthermore, interfaith relationships at a Lutheran school is a positive part of Rev. King's position as Chaplin. He said that the new position is similar to that of a parish. The only difference is the age range.

There are a few misconceptions of chapel life King would like to dispel. He said that some people here assume that all people of the faith are alike when in actuality they can be different. Another notion he wanted to clarify is that many Christians are not rigid or narrow-minded in their ideas. King also wants Muhlenberg students to realize that he will not be leading an exclusively Lutheran ministry.

To Reverend King, the most important part of being a religious individual is that you remain true to the Christian faith, listen to others and be respectful of those different from yourself. A person must remain "true to Christianity in the midst of healthy diversity."

Senior Jen Blair had words of encouragement to offer for Rev. King. She feels that he will do an excellent job because "he is open and friendly to all people and he is centered in Christ."

Keehn Lectures On Her Historical Writing

by Sherry Lynn Fazio
Weekly Columnist

Renown author Sally Keehn gave a presentation to the Muhlenberg community on Tuesday April 1. Keehn spoke about her life and writing style, explaining that she writes historical novels for young adults.

Keehn was born in London and spent most of her childhood traveling around the world due to her father's position in the military. She later established herself in Maryland and graduated from Hook College.

After spending a year in Korea, working for the American Red Cross, Keehn attended Drexel University.

There she earned her M.S. in Library Science, enabling her to work as a librarian in both Pennsylvania and Maryland.

Before her start as a novelist, Keehn wrote magazine articles, including one for the popular children's magazine, *Highlights.*

Keehn spoke about her books with an amazing sense of passion and excitement. "I wrote the books because the stories stalked me." Her first book, which she co-authored with her husband, was a travel book.

It was during her exploring that she got the ideas for her next two historical novels, I am Regina and Moon of Two Dark Horses.

Keehn had the driving ambition to write, even as a child. However, it was not until 1982 that her first book was published. Today, Sally Keehn is still writing and also travels to area schools talking about her other two books.

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Campus Safety Notes

13-year Old Girl Subjected to Porno Video in Library

3/25/97 - Harassment by Communications - Center for the Arts - outsider harassing staff member

3/25/97 - Alcohol Violation - Prosser - underage consumption and noise complaint - all of the students involved lived in Prosser

3/26/97 - Theft - Center for the Arts Green Room - Sony Stereo box - black with radio, tape and compact disc player

3/26/97 - Information - Trexler library - complaint concerning pornographic video found in machine. A mother, with her 13 year old daughter filed the complaint after she hit play on a VCR in the Micromedia Room.

3/27/97 - Information - Campus-wide - possible theft

3/27/97 - Illegal Solicitor - Campus-wide - unauthorized book buyer - buyer given a letter of trespass

3/27/97 - Unsecure property - doors have masking tape so key didn't need to be used

3/31/97 - Attempted Entry - Brown - prowler on west side fire escape

4/01/97 - Assault - 23rd Street - East Hall Fire Lane - ex-boyfriend in his vehicle assaults ex-girlfriend. No arrests were made.

4/02/97 - Harassment by Communications - Seeger's Union

4/02/97 - Trespassing - SPE - five juvenilles arrested - possession of fireworks and trespassing

4/02/97 - Health Hazard - non-student bringing dog on campus to do its business with no clean up

4/02/97 - Vandalism - Shankweiler - Frisbee through occupied office

4/03/97 - Vandalism - Benfer - someone threw a football through window

4/04/97 - Information - Trexler Library - false ID - referred to judicial board

4/04/97 - Information - Center for the Arts - communications failure

4/04/97 - Harassment by Communications - East Hall - young male calling at 4 a.m. saying "It's time to wake up." Weird noises also followed on the machine.

4/04/97 - Moving Vehicle Accident - Faculty and Staff lot behind Academic Row - student's vehicle and housekeeper's vehicle

4/04/97 - Hit and Run - Hillside Parking Lot

4/05/97 - Trashing - ATO - case dismissed

4/05/97 - Alcohol Violation - Back lot - student referred to judicial

4/05/97 - Medical Transport - Life Sports Center - sprained ankle

4/05/97 - Possible Missing Person - Brown Hall - a concerned roommate filed the report - the person was found

4/06/97 - Fire Alarm - Martin Luther - 4th floor center stairwell - cause undetermined

4/06/97 - Fire Alarm - AEPi - cigarette smoke

4/07/97 - Vandalism - Walz - group of individuals banging on soda machine - the students damaged the machine and stole soda cans and money.

4/05/97 - Alcohol Violation - Prosser - the case has been referred to judicial

4/04/97 - Noise Complaint - ATO

4/07/97 - Theft of a parking sign - Center for the Arts - faculty and staff parking sign

4/07/97 - Tampering with fire equipment - Martin Luther - someone turned stand pipe in hallway on.

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4:30-6:30 DINNER AT EAST
(Garden Room Closed)
5:30-8:00 BAND: "MOONHEAD"
RAIN LOCATION: FIELD HOUSE
Games and Band Sponsored By MAC

BENFER BASH

SATURDAY, APRIL 26 (AT BENFER)
2:00-8:00 LASER TAG AND THE BUNGEE RUN
4:30-6:30 DINNER AT BENFER (GARDEN ROOM CLOSED)
5:30-8:00 BAND: "FUEL"
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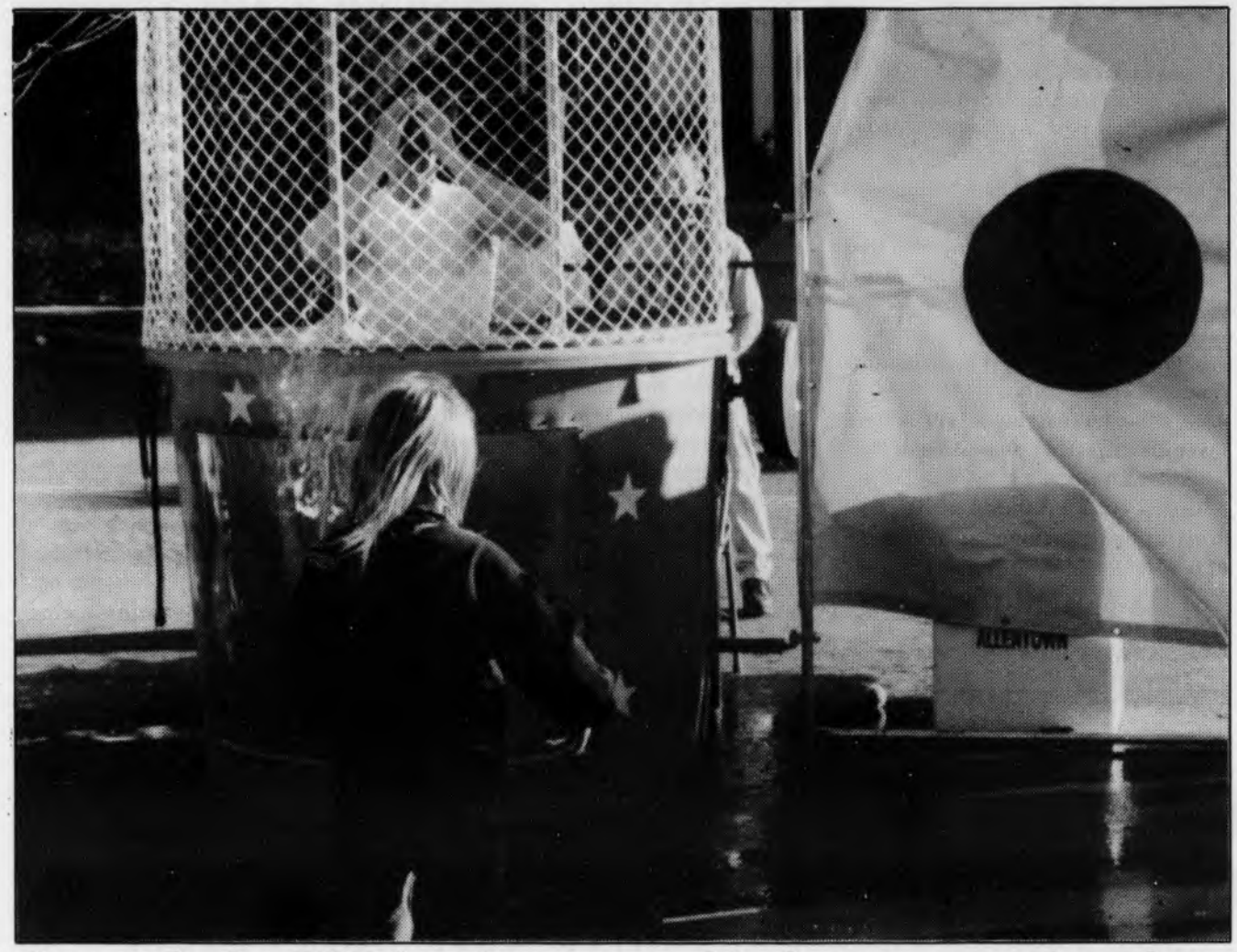


One unlucky TKE brother covers his face as a student from Jefferson Elementary hits the mark and dunks him into a tank of cold water.

At the carnival, MAC and RHA sponsored many events such as a moonwalk, caricatures, and human foosball. Pictured here is human bowling in which a person is put in a ball and rolled down a lane into pins.

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

Last Friday, over twenty Muhlenberg student groups participated in a Carnival/Block Party for the local community. The event, which started out as a Greek Carnival to kick off Greek Week, grew into a campus-wide activity.

The carnival was attended by over a hundred kids and by over 800 overall. Even Allentown Mayor Heydt stopped by. The idea for this carnival came from Delta Zeta sister Nicole Boyce.

The carnival began at 4:00 with kids from various local schools coming to enjoy the block party. It gave students from Jefferson, Casa Guadalupe, and Central, two schools where Muhlenberg participates in after-school activities, to come see our campus and get to know more students. These kids were given free tickets to play the games and enjoy the food.

At 6:00, these students left and the carnival was opened up to members of the local community and Muhlenberg students.

The carnival featured a multitude of games including a dunking booth, pie throwing, plinko, a spinning wheel, a goldfish game, a face painting booth, dart throwing, a strong man's hammer and a ring toss. MAC and RHA got involved by bringing in larger games such as human foosball, human bowling, and a moonwalk. A caricaturist was also on hand and was a very popular event. In fact, the wait grew to 45 minutes at some points during the carnival.

The carnival also had a great variety of foods to choose from. Different organizations sold everything from cotton candy, hot dogs, and sno kones to nachos and pizza.

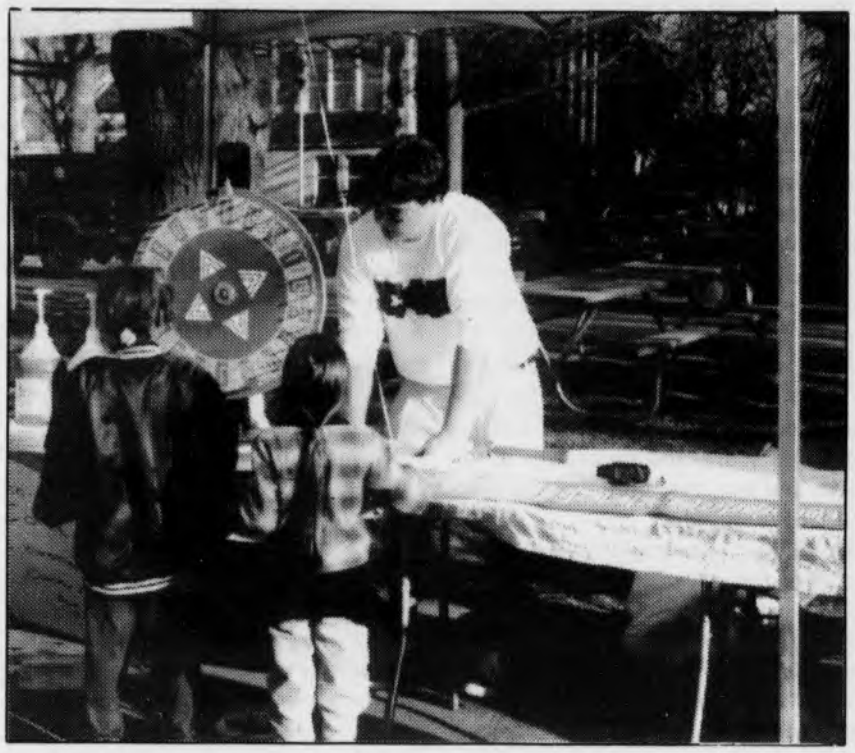
The Muhlenberg Board of Associates helped sponsor the event by donating money.

Becky Grace, Director of Student Activities, was very enthusiastic about the carnival.

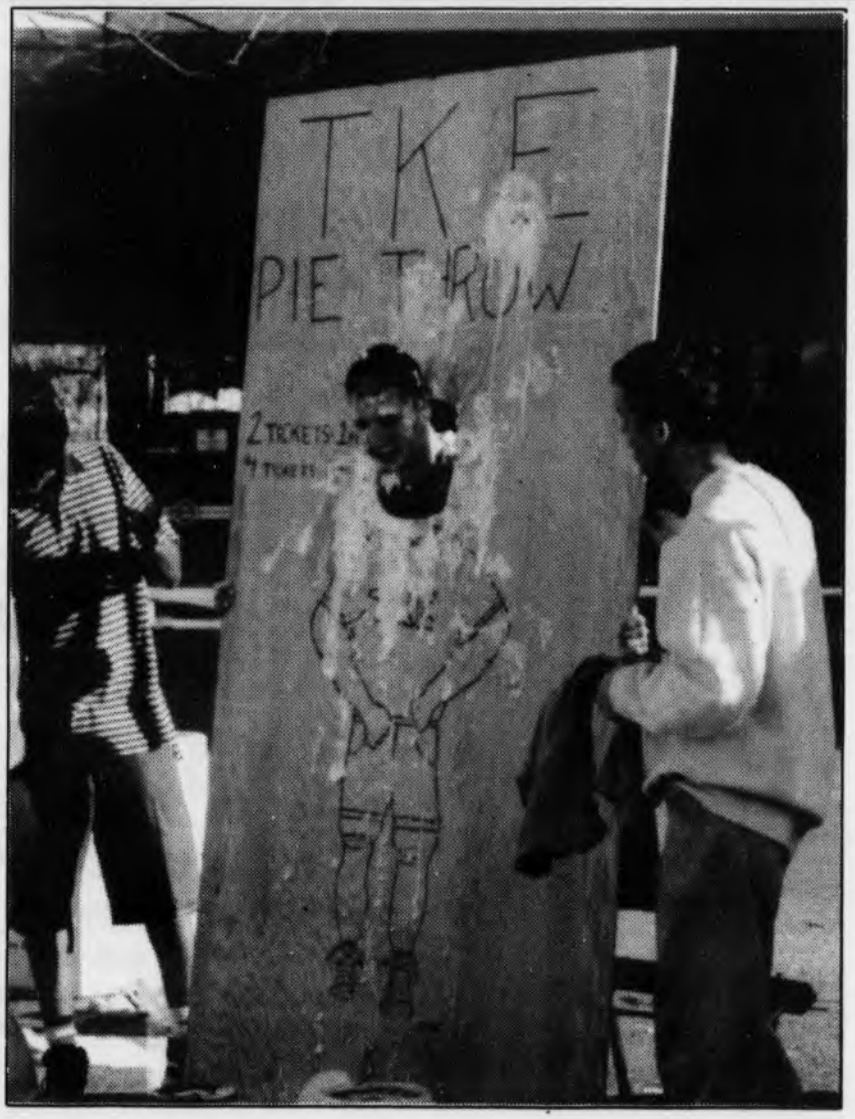
She said, "It was very successful. I can see this as a new tradition on campus. Everyone enjoyed it, including the Muhlenberg students, the neighbors, and the children."

Brian Mauro, Director of Greek Affairs said, "I would definitely say it was a success. It sets a groundwork for a future for this event. Many more people will get involved and do bigger and better things. It took the cooperation of the entire college to pull off an event of this magnitude. One of the highlights for the kids was the fish."

Block Party For The Local Community



From left to right in a clockwise direction: 1. Adam Shavitz helps the children pick which number they wish to bet on at the spinning wheel. 2. Dean Ehrenberg climbs the ladder to take his chance at Sigma Phi Epsilon's Plinko game, which was based on the game on The Price is Right. 3. Jason Donnelly takes a pie in the face at Tau Kappa Epsilon's pie throwing booth. 4. Delta Zeta let everyone take a chance to shoot through the turtle with a disc gun to win some candy at their "target turtle."



"The Kafka Project" premieres at Muhlenberg College April 9

Muhlenberg Theatre Association in collaboration with Our Shoes Are Red Theatre Laboratory will present an innovative work translating the literary voice of Frank Kafka to the stage in "The Kafka Project" April 9-13.

"The Kafka Project", conceived and directed by Devon Allen with lyrics and music by Christopher Dronby, is an on-going development piece based on the life and works of Frank Kafka and premieres as a work in progress at Muhlenberg College. Our Shoes Are Red was founded as a theatre laboratory in 1993 to bring together artists from many disciplines with a vision to create new works while exploring unique working environments and forms. Previous new works include "Bodies, Sight and Singing (A Cabaret in the Making)", company-developed with composer Neil Ginsberg at Duke University and performed at The Acting Studio in New York City in 19994;"Fishing for Virginia", a performance piece written by Kelly Easton, with a first read at Man Bites Dog Theatre in Durham, NC and performed at the Virginia Woolf Conference, Bard College in 1995; and "Style", written for actor Devon Allen by Kelly Easton to perform at Hallwalls in Buffalo, NY in 1007.

Director and co-collaborator Devon Allen, who has been a recipient of a Hal Prince Directing Fellowship and a NEA grant to explore script development techniques, describes her goal for "The Kafka Project" in asking the question, "How do we fashion a life which feeds our soul instead of reduces it?" A full company member of The Brecht Company in residence at the University of Michigan from 1984-1987, Allen says she continues to be influenced by Brecht's approach to making theatre.

"The Kafka Project" is a theatrical collage of elements drawn from the Kafka stories, diaries, and ensemble work of the company. Our Shoes Are Red has created a unique process of using the performing ensemble, writers, and composer to develop new pieces of music/theatre. The ensemble of this project have explored text through reading aloud, isolating themes, sharing other stories, and then working with the staging and the musical components provided by the creative collaborators, Allen and Christopher Drobny.

Drobny has composed music and lyrics for songs that are acted and sung as well as environmental music for "The Kafka Project". His work as a composer on other music-theatre pieces include "Kissing and Horrid Strife" (adapted from the poems of D.H. Lawrence) at Curtis Institute, co-produced by the Opera Company of Philadelphia; "Lucy's Lapses" (a black comedy concerning Alzheimer's disease) produced at Playwrights Horizons, New York and Portland Opera; and "Fire in the Future" (a revisionist look at Joan of Arc) commissioned by the Minnesota Opera New Music Theatre Ensemble. As a musical director, his credits include "Antony and Cleopatra" at the Joseph Papp Public Theatre ,and he is the upcoming arranger and conductor for "American Silents", to be directed by Anne Bogart off-Broadway in May.

With Drobny, Allen believes that "the avante garde is a major force in the American theatre. It influences directing and its voice is infiltrating all forms of theatre, including the musical." Dedicated to exploring that force, she finds play creation a collaborative and transformative process, and despite the enormity of the task, shapes her acting, directing, and teaching with experiment in mind. Approaching a piece for performance to an audience that has no script, no score, and no history is for Allen and her ensemble "an exciting and intriguing ride."

To set the new music/theatre piece on the stage, the audience will join the cast on stage at the Empie Theatre in Baker Center for the Arts. Seating is limited and the relationship of audience to the piece is altered to emphasize the natureof theatre. James Crawford, who will perform as a guest artist in "The Kafka Project", believes that this work is important for an actor. "Of course there is a greater stake in creating the piece, but it is essential to continue finding places to experiment and develop as an artist." Crawford is joined in the ensemble by Muhlenberg students Amy Armstrong, Pete Barry, Ryan Gardener, Alicia Pax Guevera, John Molestress, Ruben Ortiz, Demo Tsilikoudis, and Nora Whittaker.

"The Kakfa Project" challenges assumptions about Kafka as a dark figure in literary history and focuses on themes of personal struggle with family and life as an artist. The tone is comic, fantastic, full of life's ironies—the essence of a writer's imagination brought to theatrical life. The stories considered include "The Hunger Artist", "Metamorphasis", "Report to an Academy", "Josephine", "The Mouse-Singer", "The Country Doctor", "In the Penal Colony", and there are excerpts from Franz Kafka's letters and diary entries. The stories are reduced four times through improvising, writing, reading aloud, and staging, and the result is not "storytelling" or a biographical piece about Kafka but an exploration of themes set dramatically on the stage with music and song.

"Writing is a form of prayer," Kafka wrote in his diary. Author John Updike, in his forward to "The Complete Stories of Kafka", writes of Kafka's mix of "immense tenderness" and "oddly good humor" in telling the nightmares and fantasies that the world has seen to reflect the modern world's greatest self-conscious fears. "Fantasy, for Kakfa even more than for most writers of fiction, was the way out of his skin, so he could get back in. He felt, as it were, abashed before the fact of his own existance." Private reticence and shame, the tyranny of his father's authority, and his eccentric but prophetic view of the modern world were escapable only in the writer's imagination.

Courtesy of the Theater Arts Department

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Consult the Mule... Your *Weekly* Horoscope

by Jen Zwirn and Sherry Lynn Fazio
***Weekly* columnists**

Aries (3/21-4/19)
We know that the past few weeks have been chock full of ups and downs....but come on, Aries, your friends hate to see you so blue. They all know you've been putting yourself through hell and back about some issue you're just not willing to share with them but they're starting to worry. Of course, with every good comes a bad and vice versa, so don't think you won't get out of your slump. Before you know it, it's going to be over and you'll be wondering why you spent so much time pondering the impossible.

Taurus (4/20-5/20)
Hello....are you out there? It's time someone put you in your place. See, here's the thing Taurus....lately you've been selling yourself short and thinking you're not exactly worth as much as everyone else thinks...come on and get over it! Taurus, there are so many people who love and adore you but it seems like you're having trouble believing this. What is stopping you from recognizing what everyone else knew long ago?! Go on and pat yourself on the back...there's nothing wrong with admitting your faults but then again, there's nothing wrong with admiring all you do also. Take a second to admire your achievements and amazing abilities that only you have....it's okay once in a while to give yourself a personal pep talk. Everyone sees how great you are, now's your chance to notice the same thing.

Gemini (5/21-6/21)
So, you've been running around campus like a chicken with its head cut off...of course, you're stressed about things but let's put it all in perspective, shall we?! Everything we do is for a reason. So whether you enjoy being on-the-go or helping people out, you ought to get props for keeping up with your jammed packed schedule! Just keep in mind that when you work for others, you often neglect yourself and that is the last thing you should be doing right now. You have to remember that you can't help others until you help yourself! So - your big secret is out! .We know you're just trying to keep busy in order to avoid thinking about something or someone. Just give it up already, Gem! You're not fooling anyone but yourself. The quickest way to make a problem dissolve is to just deal with it. Pushing it away is only temporary - it won't disappear forever.

Cancer (6/22 - 7/22)
Hey Cancer, why are you letting people get to you lately? It isn't like your strong-as-steel skin to actually let something or somebody through to upset you. Always remember that tears are precious, even though sometimes crying makes you feel better, the people who deserve your tears should be the ones you care for most. You shouldn't let random incidences or situations set you off...you have better things to do with your time. If you leave that frown on your face much longer it might just become permanent. It's more fun to be laughing than crying anyway - then you don't need tissues! So Cancer, get yourself together, hang out with your friends and family and enjoy all of the wonderful things you have in your life. Before you know it - you'll have a permanent smile instead of that yucky frown! Remember you are loved!

Leo (7/23 - 8/22)
Well, let's see here...don't you think it's time you clear a few things up?! Apparently you've been having a week chock full o' tension and worries. Are you having decision making issues again about a particular issue or person in your life? Well, Leo, have you looked at the pros and cons? You're known to be organized and reserved when it come to serious situations, but this time you aren't acting like that Leo we all know and love. Obviously this is a difficult time for you, but don't let people persuade your actions. You are the best judge of what is good for you. If you don't remember that when making decisions, then you'll never be happy with the outcome. Don't stress, Leo, this isn't a life or death issue, just think about what you're doing before you do it. You're a sensible person, we trust that you'll make the right decision.

Virgo (8/23 - 9/22)
Hold up! Wait a minute! Don't go there, Virgo! May we warn you against entering the danger zone?! Seems like you've been really busy lately and you're been biting everyone's head off in the process...what is wrong with this picture?! You have no need to tell people where to go and how to get there, because before you know it, they'll be doing the same thing to you and you'll be asking why. Of course, it's important to be honest with your friends and everyone else, but there is absolutely no reason to hurt others in the process. There is a great difference between your idea of being diplomatic and what it actually is to the rest of the world. Try working on this, Virgo. Being blunt is good, but try doing it with a smile, and see where it gets you! You're really a special person, don't ruin this with those accidental words which seem to be coming out of your mouth lately.

Libra (9/23-10/23)
You know how people usually refer to you, right? "That spreader of good cheer...sweet talker..." sound familiar? Well, even though you're always known as the "nice one", it's time you be honest with people instead. Quit buttering people up if you really don't mean it. Lately, however, you've been just the opposite of your usual self...instead of giving compliments, you've been pointing fingers. What's up with this new act of yours? Whatever happened, let it go - the old you is the one everyone loves. If you feel such a need to point a finger at somebody and continue your brown-nosing, then try looking in the mirror before you look at everyone else. Try spending more of your time improving yourself, that you have no time left to criticize others.

Sagittarius (11/23-12/21)
So, let's see her, Sag...seems like you've just let something good slip out of your hands and now you're kicking yourself about it! Well, instead of sitting back and letting life pass on by, grab a hold of the situation! It's completely out of character for you to let things happen or just take their course, so why start now? May we suggest that you decide what it is you're actually after and how exactly you'll get what you want? A lot of people think they have a say in what you do, however, we know different...only you can come to the conclusions you want. The thing is, why waste time letting things pass you by when you could be enjoying them right now? Opportunity won't be knockin' forever...you'll be pretty upset when it goes to someone else's door.

Capricorn (12/22-1/19)
Hey jealousy...oh, we mean Capricorn! What is up with you lately? When you say goodbye to something or someone it doesn't mean that the rest of the world doesn't get their fair share now. Are you confused about this or something? You can't have your cake and eat it too. Life doesn't work like that. If you want something badly enough, then you have to swallow your pride and go after it. Even if you have made mistakes in the past, there is no reason to dwell. Get over it and move on to the here and now. You don't have the right to be jealous if you said goodbye...Cap, remember that there are other people living here with you in the world. Try acknowledging their feelings sometimes too, then you might have a right for your feelings.

Aquarius (1/20-2/18)
So, Aquarius, let's talk, shall we?! You've got lots of things on your mind but there is one thing you just can't stop pondering...instead of wondering about what could happen or what might happen, take charge and decide for yourself what will happen. You have the control to say what you want, do what you want, and be who you want, so why are you having trouble with this all of the sudden?! Are you having that little identity crisis that you always hear about on those trashy talk shows? Don't feel bad, everybody goes through them - now you just have to get on with it already! Get up, get your head together, make your decisions and go have fun! Life isn't going to come to you - you have to go to it and make the most of every minute you have here. So stop analyzing and pondering...do something.

Pisces (2/19-3/20)
Ok, so you've been getting complaints lately from the peanut gallery about your recent weekend activities. It seems that every time you turn around or pick up the phone you are getting attitude or opinions from somebody else about your life. Apparently, some people think that they have a say in your actions. This is where you come in - hang up the phone already and don't look back!!! You cannot live by others' beliefs. What *is* important is that you please yourself. That's the thing about college, Pisces...the only one you have to answer to is you. Keep in mind that if you're happy with what you're up to, who you are, and who you're becoming, it's not important to listen to others complain about you and your faults. You know, Pisces, you can't please everyone all of the time, so instead of worrying about things, just deal with what's going on with you and let the others wonder what you're up to ...it'll stir things up a bit!

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Mint Gives East Quad Performance

Concert Cut Short By Rain

by Jenny Lynn Knotek
Assistant News Editor

This past Saturday night, *Mint* played a set of cover tunes on the East Quad. The band, from the Bethlehem area, sang songs ranging from Alanis Morissette to Greenday.

Stefan Miller, Muhlenberg Activity Council Music Chair, said that it was a great start to a series of bands to come to the Quad.

Many students on the east side of campus have complained about activities available to them; *Mint* was a good start to such events.

The band, made up of lead vocalist Patrice Lerg-Loeper, Eric Lear, Mark Russamano, and Michael Lear, played one set of songs before taking a break around 8:30.

However, the rain showers fell and the band had to pack up its electronics right when the crowd was beginning to get into it.

The crowd did not really grow until right before the scheduled break, but unfortunately the band didn't return.

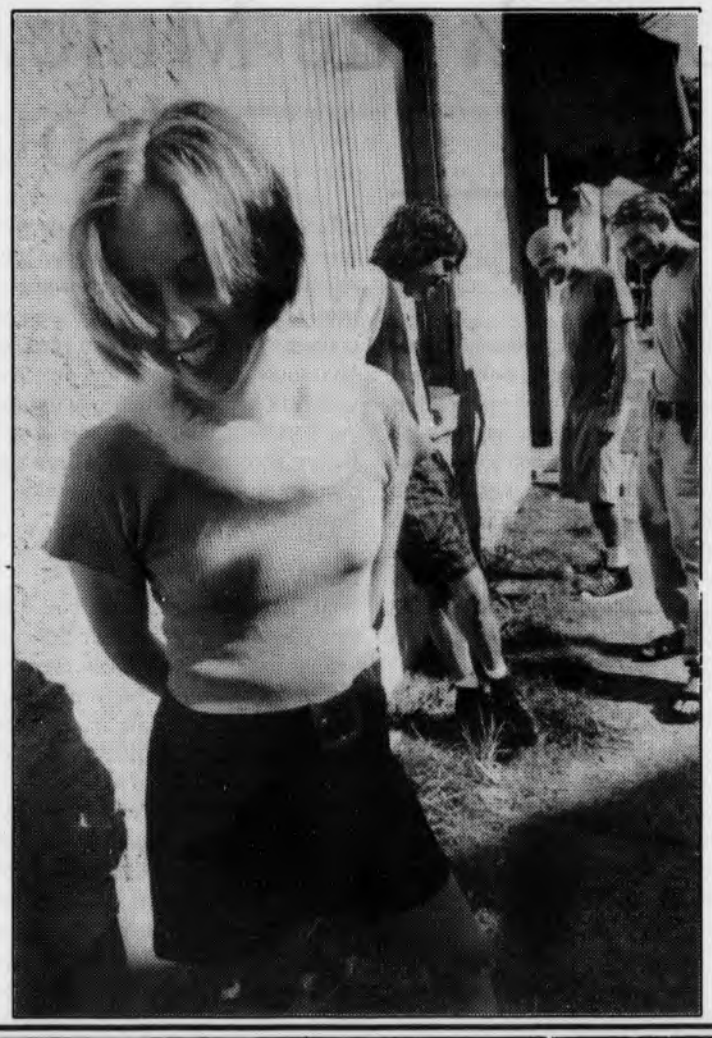
Students really enjoyed *Mint* up until the rain. Many students commented on how much Lerg-Loeper sounded like Alanis AND Gwen Stefani.

One student said, "It's really cool that we're finally getting some form of entertainment on this side of campus."

Sophomore Mark Koup said, "I listened to the band until the rain started. They did really great covers. I am looking forward to more concerts in the quad."

Although it is April already, Miller said that this is just the beginning. Another band, *Duplicity*, is playing in the Quad this Friday night; also, be sure to check out the orange advertising tents on every table in the Garden Room.

Next semester, Miller has already arranged a barbecue in the Quad to feature *Love Seed Mama Jump*, an up-and-coming small band. This event is scheduled for September 20.



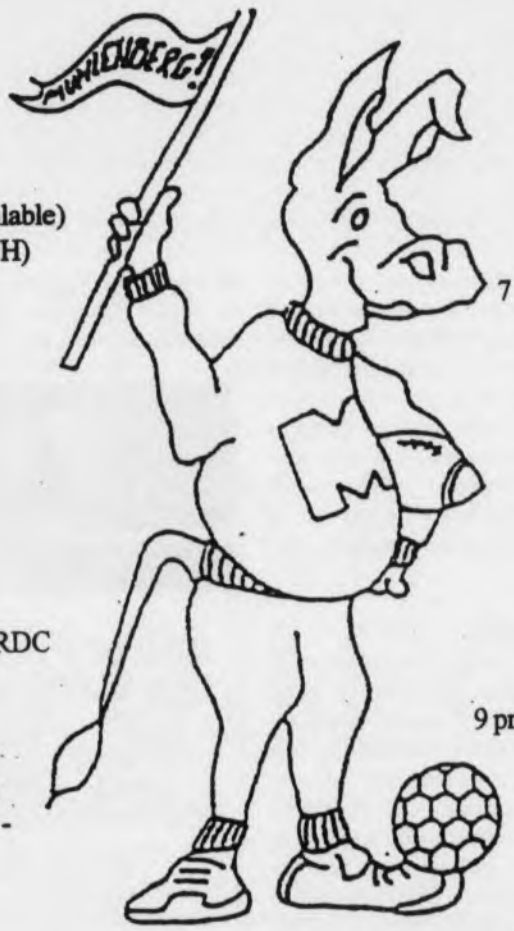
April 10 - April 16
What is happening on campus?

Thursday, April 10
3:30 pm - M Tennis vs Albright
6 pm - MAC Movie: 'The Nutty Professor' - RDC
8 pm - MTA Peformance: 'The Kafka Project' - ET

Friday, April 11
4 pm - Student Recital - RH
4:30 - 6:30 pm Dinner in East Quad - (RUSH info available)
5 - 6:30 pm - Band: 'Duplicity' in East Quad (Rain - FH)
8 pm - MTA Peformance: 'The Kafka Project' - ET
8 pm - Faculty Recital - Chapel
9 - 1 Admissions DJ 'Knive' - Underground

Saturday, April 12
1 pm - Lacorsse vs W MD
1 pm - M Tennis vs Washington
3 - 9 pm - Basketball Auction - Memorial Hall
5 pm - MAC Movie: 'Sleepers' - Red Door Cafe
8 pm - MTA Performance: 'The Kafka Project' - ET
9 - 10 pm - MAC Game Show: 'Blizzard of Bucks' - RDC

Sunday, April 13
2 pm - MTA Performance: 'The Kafka Project' - ET
5:30 pm - MAC Movie: 'Striptease' - Red Door Cafe
9 pm - Outdoor Drive-In Movie: 'Independence Day' - Brown Beach (Rain - Field House)



Monday, April 14
1 pm - Golf vs Lehigh, Lafayette, Moravian
4 pm - Speaker: Arthur Raymond - SU 109
7 -8 pm - Speaker Dr. Patricia Phillips - RH

Tuesday, April 15
3 pm - Softball vs E'Town - DH
3:30 pm - Baseball vs Swathmore
4 pm - Lacrosse vs Swarthmore
7 -9 pm - Lecture: 'Fengshui: The Act of Placement' with Melinda Hiller - RH
8 pm - Lecture: Woodrow Wilson - Trumb 130
9 pm - Sorority Rush, What is it All About? - GR

Wednesday, April 16
3:30 pm - Baseball vs Allentown
7 pm - Philosphy Speaker - RH
7 pm - OCDP Speaker - SU 108/109

Thursday, April 17
5:30 pm - MAC Movie: 'Sleepers' - RD
9 pm MCL: Strange Like Me By Metamorphosis - RH

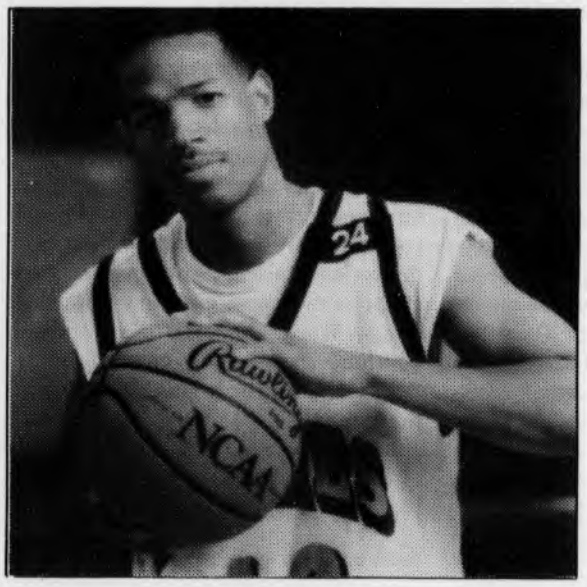
Basketball meets Ghostbusters - *The 6th Man*

movie review- The 6th Man
Starring Kadeem Hardison and Marlon Wayans
directed by Randall Miller
review by John Saverino

It's time for some March Madness as Kadeem Hardison and Marlan Wayans co-star in the heartwarming comedy hit, *The 6th Man*. When Kenny Tyler (Marlon Wayons) watches his older brother Antoine (Kadeem Hardison) fall to his tragic death without reaching his dream of making it to the NCAA, Kenny realizes he must continue from where his brother left off. Unfortunately, Kenny loses his will to play and the sadness from his brother's death begins to have an adverse effect on the team's performance. However, this all changes when Antoine's ghost appears with one objective in mind, to take his team (the Washington Huskies) from last to first, even if it means pulling a few strings.

I will admit that the idea of a ghost coming back from the dead to salvage a failing basketball team didn't exactly inspire any great expectations. Only movies that have some degree of realism are worthy of such an expectation. But I guess "The 6th Man" proved my theory wrong. Even though it got off to a slow start, the movie had me laughing right off my seat.

When Kenny's brother comes back from the dead, he is the only one who can see him and this sets off a chain-reaction of non-stop laughter. Everyone on the team begins to question Kenny's saneness when they stumble upon a rather odd situation in which they think he is beating himself up. Actually he is engaged in a shoving match with his brother, but not one of his teammates can see that. When he falls flat on the ground, his teammates think that he made himself fall on the ground.



As his brother's ghost makes his appearance on the court, bizarre things begin to occur. For starters, everyone is baffled by the Huskies miraculous comeback. And when a shot that goes in the rim suddenly defies the laws of gravity by popping back out of the rim counting as a missed shot, the opposing team, not to mention the entire crowd, gawk in disbelief. Only Kenny knows why team members from the opposing side are missing shots that should have gone in.

Kenny continues to interact with the ghost of his brother and this serves to convince the team that maybe he should be committed. A particularly funny scene showed Kenny hugging his brother after winning a crucial game, but again no one could see his brother. Kenny's explanation was that he was simply hugging himself.

Marlon Wayans, who is well-known for his role in "The Wayans Brothers", was certainly an appropriate choice for this movie. He has a natural talent for comedy and the character he portrayed actually resembles his real life. For instance, Kenny has lived in his brother's shadow his entire life and must find a way to come out of that shadow when his brother dies. Kenny must step up to the challenge. Wayans can certainly relate to this burden, because all of his brothers and sisters are also celebrities and sometimes he feels that he has to compete with their fame.

When I compare "The 6th Man" to all the other recent comedies that are now out in the theaters, I can't find one that I can say is a close match. What really puzzles me is why there is so much hype over Jim Carrey's movie, "Liar, Liar" when "The 6th Man" is clearly a funnier and more enjoyable movie to watch. The extent of Carrey's comical talent is limited to him making stupid faces and calling that comedy. At least "The 6th Man" is creative in its attempt at laughter. Anyone can make faces.

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Greeks Make A Difference

Fraternities and Sororities Wrap Up Great Year

Alpha Chi Omega

The sisters of Alpha Chi Omega sorority have been doing many different activities this semester to improve their relations with the faculty, administration, and the other Greek organizations. We have made a difference by becoming involved in several philanthropic projects. Earlier this semester, many sisters participated in the Beach Bash fund-raiser, which raised money for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. The sisters would like to recognize and congratulate Dr. Marx and Dr. Gambino for their excellence. They have each been named Professor of the Month for February and March respectively. Alpha Chi sisters strengthened their bonds by celebrating a Valentine's Day brunch together which included good food and fun. Every Wednesday night sisters unite further during their weekly dinners. As we are coming to the conclusion of this spring semester, we are eagerly engaged in the games and competitions of Greek Week. Alpha Chi sisters will continue their strong commitment to Greek life and community service in the future.

Delta Zeta

The Delta Zeta sorority was founded nationally in 1904 and the Xi Iota Chapter at Muhlenberg in 1984. Since its founding at Muhlenberg, "DZ" has made invaluable contributions to both campus and community. Its national philanthropy is the Gallaudet School for the Hearing Impaired. On a local level, Delta Zeta sisters have high participation in campus community service events such as the recent Greek Carnival and Greeks Make a Difference Day. Delta Zeta has many members on the Dean's List and in honor societies as Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Sigma Iota, Alpha Epsilon Delta and the Dana Scholors' Program. Members serve in many capacities around the campus, from Tour Guiding, Class Councils and representing the student body, to the Board of Trustees to dance, theatre and varsity athletics. But what makes Delta Zeta so special to its members is not just the multi-facetedness of each sister, but the pride they take in each member's gifts of service and commitment to the sorority and to the college.

Sigma Phi Epsilon

The brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon have been very busy this semester. The first project was the transformation of the old kitchen into a lounge for brothers and friends. The room contains an entertainment center, a dart board, a video game and couches. At a recent brotherhood meeting, the room was dedicated to alumni board treasurer Richard Slimmer for his twenty-one years of service. The brotherhood also participated in a CPR certification class led by Adam Cooper and Jason Rubino. Community Service has been an area of strength with trips to the food bank and participation in the Homework Club. We also completed a yearly event which includes helping raise money for people with Multiple Sclerosis.

Recently, three brothers were elected to their class councils and one brother was elected to the student council. In addition, another brother was chosen to serve as Editor-in-Chief of *The Muhlenberg Weekly* for next year.

Phi Sigma Sigma

The sisters of Phi Sigma Sigma have been keeping pretty busy this year. The life of a Phi Sig is much more than a bunch of closed parties and formals (which are undoubtedly lots of fun). Phi Sig is involved in a lot of chapter activities like sisterhood dinners, philanthropy and Panhel activities which increase the relationships between the sisters and strengthen unity. Phi Sig does a lot with the local community and some of our charitable events include our annual Bowl for Breath, the Pinebrook Christmas Party and the upcoming Rock-a-Thon to be held in Seeger's Union to benefit the National Kidney Foundation. Phi Sig also supported Women's Week by attending the informative Eating Awareness Panel. We also have study breaks to help the sisters through those crazy midterms and finals. Some of our upcoming events include a summer send-off barbecue, senior dinner, Greek Week and last week's Block Party. Between all of this and classes, Phi Sig plays a large role in the Muhlenberg Community through their involvement in various clubs and organizations.

The women of Phi Sig know it's soon going to be that time of the year again when the women of Muhlenberg decide whether or not rushing is something worth doing for a week next semester. It's a great way to meet people and have a lot of fun in the process. You never know if Greek life is for you until you rush. Phi Sigma Sigma knows that it gets pretty confusing but hopes to see you there. Give it a try. You'll be surprised.

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After Tuesday's Competition, these are the scores and rankings for Greek Week:

Men's	Women's
1.Alpha Tau Omega 37 points	1. Alpha Chi Omega 63 points
2.Tau Kappa Epsilon 27 points	2. Delta Zeta 62 points
3.Sigma Phi Epsilon 20 points	3. Phi Mu 51 points
4.Alpha Epsilon Pi 14 points	4. Phi Sigma Sigma 33 points

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Letters to the Editor

Student takes issue with Senior Week planning and the timing of the Senior Ball

To the Senior Class-

I am writing this letter in response to the poor planning of Senior Week. I seem to be in a rocky boat when it comes to this event. I am going with a friend (who can not drive) to the senior ball. This means I will come up to the school on Thursday, missing all the events on Wednesday. This in itself is not a huge loss, but I would like to just hang out and have fun with my senior friends.

Thursday had my greatest grudge. This is when we are supposed to have our Senior Surprise. I would like to know how I am supposed to go to this if my guest is not a senior. It seems that our representatives took it to their own understanding and thought everyone who is going to the Senior Ball is a Senior, or have some sort of close relation with the person they are going with. I am not included in that group. Like I said, I am going with a friend, and I cannot just leave her here from 6 until whenever hour we get back. This is not fair to her, or to anyone in this predicament.

This is where my biggest problem occurs. If the friend I am taking wants to go home the next day after the ball, I have a small window of time to take her home. In my case it takes 2 hours for me to take her home and then another 2 to come back. And I must be back before 4:00 P.M. to go to the rehearsal, or I am not included in the ceremony. It seems that our representatives also thought everyone lives near the school. While we are on problems of Senior Ball, we have yet to set up our seating arrangements or see a menu. I hope that we will be able to pick those people we are going to sit with, and also what we are going to eat.

Next, most people just recently acquired all this information this previous weekend. It is just a little more than a month before we graduate. I now at this time have to set up all my plans. I do not need this trouble on top of my school work. Plus, I find it very rude that our representatives never even gave us a choice of what the date would be for this affair. It is like they dictated everything and we are supposed to follow, like lambs before the slaughter.

Also, what about the graduation? We haven't had any type of notification of any of the speakers we sent for, or their responses, especially the commencement speakers. In the last couple of years, senior classes have known their commencement speaker as early as a few months into the fall semester, and as late as Easter. We only have rumors. I personally want to know the progress of what is going on, anything would do. Also, there are very sketchy contingency plans. All we know is that the rain location for the ceremony is Memorial Hall. We haven't been told how may tickets we allotted or when we will receive these tickets. This planning is very unorganized and unfair to all seniors.

Finally, I would like to know why the Senior Ball is being held during Senior week. Most Seniors' boyfriends, girlfriends or just friends that they are going with are probably not Seniors. So why are the representatives blatantly allowing non-seniors to Senior Week. Now I can see having a boyfriend, girlfriend, or just a friend come up the day before or the day of graduation. But with the plan as it is they would be here for most of the Senior Week festivities. In most of the recent years, the Senior Ball was held during the school year, or the latest, finals week. Either of these would be perfect for people going with non-seniors, which is probably a majority of this years' Senior class. Most people, at the time of the Senior Ball, are starting a summer job, and this puts a crimp in their schedule. Plus most of the events have blatantly added an element that should not be in the mix for Senior Week.

From all this, it seems that the Senior class representatives have gotten to work in a last ditch effort to work out the Senior Ball and Senior Week all at once. All the Senior Ball and Senior Week information should have been given to us at the latest before we went away for Easter break. The representatives should have gotten together right after winter break, scheduled the Senior Ball for a Friday or Saturday in April, or at least switched Thursday's and Friday's events. This is so someone like me can have a bigger amount of time to bring their Senior Ball date home and go to the Senior Surprise. This is not just unfair to the Senior class of 1997, but also unfair to all of their family members who waited, worked and paid a substantial amount for their graduation day. So I will say thank you to the Senior Class representatives for all their hard work and diligent effort for making this year's Senior Week the best ever.

Thanks,
Steven Strauss
Class of 1997

Senior Class Representatives respond to criticism of the planning of Senior Week

To the members of the Senior Class:

Hopefully by now you've all picked up your Senior Week Survival Guides in your campus mailboxes. We sincerely hope you share out excitement and enthusiasm for the Senior Week events that have been planned-we've all been looking forward to this for years! Our goal for Senior Week is for everyone to have a good time, plain and simple. It is a time for celebrating, reminiscing, and looking forward to our bright futures ahead.

Unfortunately, it has come to our attention that some students are not pleased with the schedule of events, especially regarding holding the Senior Ball on Friday night of Senior Week.

People tend to be resistant to change, and we want to provide explanations for our decisions to those who may be developing and spreading uninformed, negative opinions.

Striving to effectively serve the students we represent, we've tried to rely on student input to make decisions. For example, last year we sent a memo to all members of the class of 1997 asking for input about the Senior Ball-response was less than 25%. We feel that we've given the Class every opportunity to get involved-for four years, we've invited students (through letters and *The Weekly)* to come to our weekly meetings to voice their opinions, make suggestions, and bring their ideas. Obviously at this point, not much can be done about changing the Senior Week schedule-you've had four years to speak up. (A note to all underclassmen: don't complain-get involved and do something about it!) However, if you have any problems with events we've planned, why not come to our meetings, call us, or stop us in the Union to ask us questions or offer suggestions-we're here to serve YOU! Please realize we can't do much about people who don't express their feelings or concerns directly to us-we can't read minds.

Last year the Senior Ball was held in the middle of the semester, conflicting with Greek events, MCAT's, spring sports, and a host of other activities. We realize that people have other responsibilities and commitments during the course of the semester. We received some good feedback concerning the possibility of holding the Senior Ball during Senior Week to avoid conflicts with other events on and off campus during the semester. Furthermore, by including the Senior Ball in the Senior Week event schedule, we are able to allocate more money to ensure it would be THE event of the year. We pride ourselves on providing the best to our Class;half-hearted attempts are **not** an option. Do you want your Senior Ball down the road at he Clarion like last year's, where service was under par, drinks ran out, and moving on the dance floor was an impossibility? We didn't either. We want people excited about this event!

We understand this schedule isn't best for everyone-we are truly sorry if you won't be able to attend the Senior Ball because of prior engagement, parents visiting, or some other reason-we will miss you and this traditional Senior Class celebration won't be the same without you. In any kind of decision making, one must weigh the pros and cons of the situation. We certainly considered all the information that was available to us when the decision had to be made, and concluded that holding the Ball during Senior Week was the best option. If you'd like a more thorough explanation of the variables we considered, please feel free to contact us.

While we regret the negative feelings that a few of our classmates hold, we don't want them to spoil what promises to be an elegant, exciting, and memorable event! Imagine 100 days in tuxes and gowns, in an extraordinary ballroom with chandeliers, good food and all the people who have become your family during your undergraduate career at Muhlenberg. This is your last chance to attend this kind of event, and the more people that go will make it that much more fun. Encourage your friends to register. Call your old Prosser friends and use this as an opportunity to catch up. We've done all the legwork-it's up to you to make it a true success.

We also want to take this opportunity to publicly thank all those who did make an effort to offer their time, suggestions, and support to the efforts of our Class Council. Without the help of these students and administrators, we wouldn't have been able to accomplish the things we've done. Thank you for getting involved-we know your reward is knowing that you've made a difference.

We are still dedicated to serving the Class of 1997, as we will always be. We encourage those who have something to say to speak to **us** about it. (Having a complaining session with your friends is not going to affect change.) We meet every Monday night at 8:30 in Seegers Union Lobby. If you can't make it, call us at any time, and we'd be happy to answer any questions, entertain ideas, or try to solve problems. We have made a commitment to serving our class-we hope you realize this and take the opportunity to use your voice and take advantage of the fact that we're available for you.

Congratulations, Class of 1997! We look forward to joining you in the Senior Week Celebration and all the events leading up to it. Best of luck in these last few weeks! As always, please contact us with any questions or concerns-we're here to serve you.

Sincerely,

Eric Maguire x4847
Doug Ladley x4342
Andrea Liberatoscioli x4277
Michelle Reuter x4679
Class of 1997 officers

The World According to Me

By Josh Northridge

I'm sure by now we have all heard enough of the 39 men and women who killed themselves in San Diego. The members of "Heaven's Gate" committed suicide because they thought they could hitch a ride on an alien spacecraft on the other side of that comet. Well, as fun as that may sound, I have a couple of questions regarding this important, pressing issue.

First of all, how did they know that the aliens on that ship would let them on? If it was E.T. I'm sure he'd have no problem with it, even though when he was here we did not treat him too kindly. Regardless, he got to hang around Drew Barrymore in her younger years and knock back a couple of cold Buds. If the members of Heaven's Gate brought a keg with them ,and I'm talking a good keg here, not Natural Light, chances are any galactic being would welcome them aboard with open tentacles. If it was an alien like the one on Independence Day, I think those 39 people made a pretty big mistake.

The second thing I want to address is the 40th guy that no one talks about. He shaved his head and bought the ugly Nike shoes just like everybody else. Just because he was a little different, saying things like "Are you sure doing shots of poison and sticking plastic bags over our heads is a good idea?" and "Are the castrations really necessary?". Apparently this guy did not read the fine print about alien spacecraft and the loss of genitalia.

A Common Strife

By Mark A. Koup
Opinion Editor

This is a brand new column premiering in this week's editon of *The Muhlenberg Weekly*. I heard such a response to not having Easter Monday off that I had to express the opinions of many students and parents in the school newspaper.

Not having Easter Monday off as a day to travel forces students and their parents to adjust their Easter family dinners to lunchtime, and makes the holiest day of the Christian calendar a day of travel instead of a day of celebration with family. My parents got stuck in traffic on their way home from Muhlenberg on Easter. Traffic headaches should not be endured on Easter Sunday. I overheard several groups of parents express their disgust with having to bring their children back to school on Easter. I know they would prefer having Easter Monday off in order to accomodate their travel plans.

Many of our competing schools have not only Easter Monday off, but Holy Thursday as well. We as the Muhlenberg Students and our parents respectfully request having Easter Monday off so that we can fully celebrate our holiday with our families without the hassle of rushing and planning travel on Easter Sunday. Then and only then would Easter break become a true holiday vacation.

Editor questions qualifications of candidates for District Attorney

An Outside Perspective

By Mark A. Koup

Opinion Editor

I thought I had seen it all when it came to political mudslinging. I was once again disgusted when I learned of the ongoing feud between current Philadelphia District Attorney Lynne Abraham and probable challenger Jack McMahon. According to the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, Abraham released McMahon's decade old District Attorney training tape, which some saw as racist, out of her responsibility of full disclosure in criminal cases. I believe she released the tape to further her political career. The timing of the release of a decade old tape is more than a little bit suspect.

As for McMahon, the blanket statements which he is quoted on the training video can easily be perceived as racially motivated. But, as the tape proves, McMahon basically has a problem with some member of every race, be it gender, intelligence quotient, low income status or profession. He is quoted as saying "Blacks from the low-income areas and young black women are best to be avoided, as well as teachers, doctors, social workers, and smart people are also bad news for a prosecutor." McMahon claims the goal of a D.A. is not to get a fair jury, but to get a conviction. To some extent, I do agree with this statement. I really could care less what races are represented on jury; I want a jury to convict members of our community who are the perpetrators of crimes. I do think that blanket exclusions are wrong if the potential juror that would be challenged is not considered a person, rather a representative group. There is something wrong with that sort of logic.

So, a person steps up to vote for District Attorney in the city of Philadelphia. I would propose writing in a third candidate for the election. The only problem is finding an ethical lawyer. Any suggestions?

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Baseball team drops four straight

by C.J. Lenat
Sports Editor

The Muhlenberg baseball team played five tough games this week, all against Centennial Conference opponents.

After winning the first game 14-13 versus Ursinus College, the Mules dropped the next four, lowering their season record to 5-114, and their conference record to 2-5.

In the first game against Ursinus sophomore hurler Marc Lezinski picked up his team-high second win of the season by going seven strong innings, giving up 13 hits and eight earned runs. Lezinski also struck out four batters, raising his team high to 32.

Lezinski was relieved by freshman Chris Owen, and junior Jason Jack, who earned the save.

On offense, six of the nine starters had two or more hits, led by freshman Chuck Draper, who had two singles, a double, a triple, and scored three runs.

Freshman Chris Moraitis and junior Steve Faella each had three singles and scored three runs. Faella is hitting .688 in Centennial Conference play, which leads the league.

Junior Dave Sass also contributed three hits, and is currently enjoying a ten-game hitting streak.

The Mules were not so lucky in their next game, losing to Ursinus 10-2. The Mules' pitchers couldn't find the plate, giving up 20 walks to the Bears.

Tim Mantz and Sass each had two hits for the Mules in the loss.

Next, Muhlenberg traveled to Western Maryland for a double header, and lost both games by scores of 4-2 and 12-5.

Freshman Chris Owen started the first game on the mound for the Mules, and pitched well, scattering seven hits and four earned runs while striking out three batters over 7 and 2/3 innings of work.

Chris Moraitis was two for three with a walk and two runs scored, but that was all the Mules could muster, losing by two runs.

Jason Jack started the second game for the Mules, and was unable to contain the Green Terror, giving up 14 hits and nine earned runs over 6 and 2/3 innings.

Tim Mantz and Dave Garbe each had two hits apice, and Dave Sass scored two runs, but Western Maryland was too much for the Mules, giving them their third straight loss.

On Tuesday night the Mules faced off against Dickinson, and lost by the score of 16-12.

Marc Lezinski started the game for the Mules on the mound, and was relieved by Jason Jack.

On offense, Chuck Draper had a huge game, going three for five with a three-run home run.

Dan Corbett had a clutch two-run single, and Steve Faella and Chris Moriatis each had two hits apice.

The Mules' next conference matchup comes on Friday, April 11 when they travel to Dickinson. After that, they travel to Washington College for a double header on April 12

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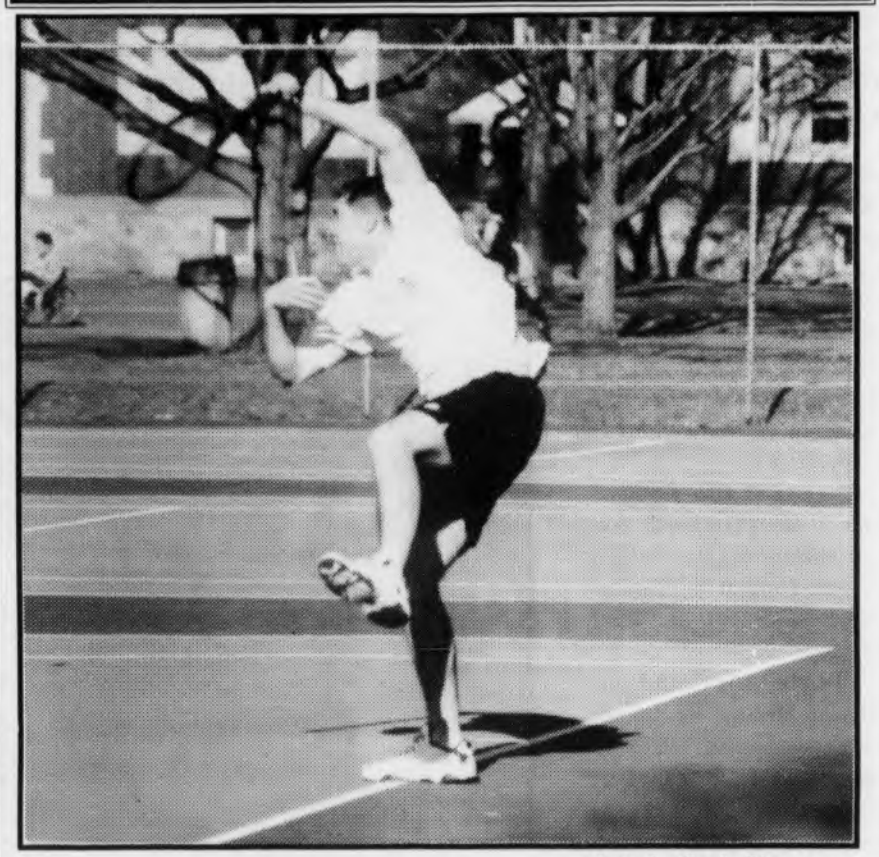

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Jared Shafer serves the ball in a recent match. The men's tennis team won its first match of the season last Saturday against Centennial Conference rival Western Maryland. Shafer led the Mules to victory with a win in his number six singles and number two doubles matches. The Mules went 3-3 in singles matches, and won all three doubles matches against the Green Terror. The Mules' record now stands at 1-4, with a 1-3 conference record.

Wacky, Strange, and Stupid Sports of the World

by C.J. Lenat
Sports Editor
and D'Arcy O'Connor
Assistant Sports Editor

There's a sport rapidly gaining in popularity all over the world, from Australia where it first began to here in the United States.

You've probably never heard of it, we know we haven't, and if you did you probably would have thought it had more to do with male pattern baldness than exercise.

It's called Rogaining, and the object of this exciting sport is to successfully navigate a "Rogain course" in less than 24 hours.

Rogaining got it's start in Australia in 1972 by the patron saint of Rogaining, Surrey Thomas Rovers.

The Australian Rogaining Association was founded in 1979, and the International Rogaining Federation was formed ten years later.

Teams consist of two to five members of any age and gender. "Anyone from children to grandparents can experience the personal satisfaction that comes from cross-country navigation," the official Rogaining home page states.

A "Rogain," or official competition, involves a large number of participants, sometimes numbering up to 400, navigating the terrain for a 24 hour period with the goal of visiting as many checkpoints as possible.

Contestants are required to provide transportation, food, camping, map making, and seeking landowner's permission before the Rogain begins.

There is usually a base camp set up, where the Rogainers can return to anytime during the competition for food, to rest, or to "enjoy the fellowship."

The team that visits the most checkpoints in the 24 hour period is declared the champion. If more than one team visits all of the checkpoints, the team that accomplished the goal in the shortest amount of time is the winner.

According to the International Rogaining Federation, there are many benefits to Rogaining, some of which include fitness, competition, social interaction, recreation, education, appreciation of the natural environment, increasing self-awareness, team building, self-reliance, and navigational experience.

Not only that, but Rogaining also provides society with better trained navigators who are "self-reliant in the countryside, better team players, and valuable members of the community." That's just what society needs more of, people who can navigate the countryside with homemade maps for 24 hour periods.

People who can navigate might have been valuable members of the community in the 15th century when the western world was exploring the world, but nowadays we feel that pizza delivery technicians are more valuable to the community.

The thing about this sport that catches us is that it seems to be a fancy name for hiking. Competitive hiking doesn't seem so much fun, does it?

How much skill is involved in hiking or, should we say, Rogaining? I mean you could get a bunch of monkeys with backpacks on to compete in this sport.

Profile of a Mule: Christy Rudderow

A weekly series highlighting Muhlenberg star athletes

by Steve Faella
***Weekly* columnist**

Going into Tuesday's games, the Muhlenberg Softball team is having a great season. They are currently 9-3 and have just absolutely crushed some of their opponents.

They have succeeded this year by combining the talents of the entire team. One member of the team is Junior Christy Rudderow. She, as well as many others on the team, are having a great year. Christy is one of the team's pitchers as well as being an outfielder for the Lady Mules.

Christy is also a superstar in the classroom, being able to juggle being a Pre-med major with playing both softball and field hockey.

Christy hails from Huntington Valley, Pa. where she attended Lower Moreland High School. It was there that she learned how to be a star pitcher.

"I consider myself a smart pitcher instead of a power pitcher. I know which pitch to throw to which batters," Christy said.

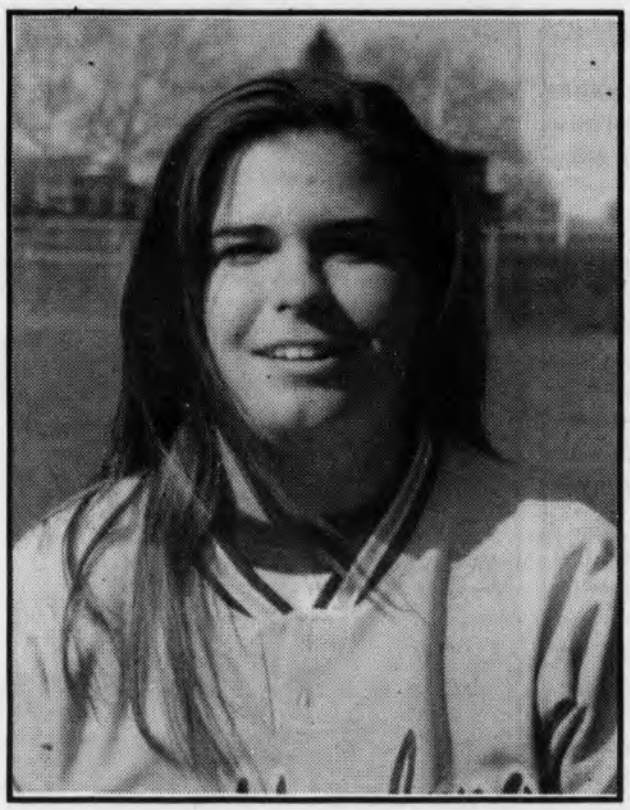
She chose Muhlenberg for two reasons. The first is that she could play both sports here, but more importantly she earned the Hahnemann Scholarship. This guarantees her acceptance into Medical School at the conclusion of her four years at Muhlenberg.

Christy has had a great career here thus far. Earlier this year she and two others were named as Sophomore Athletes of the Year. This is a highly coveted and respected award given here at Muhlenberg.

However, this institution is not the only one who has noticed Christy. She has been the Centennial Conference Player of the Week, as well as being named First Team All-Centennial Conference Designated Player. She was also named Second Team All-Centennial Conference Pitcher, as well as Second Team All-Area Utility Player.

She has also made the grade with her academics as well. She has been a member of the Centennial Conference Academic Honor Roll, as well as being named to the National Softball Coaches Association Academic All-America team.

These are all pretty impressive accomplishments for someone who admits that it was hard moving up from the high school to college level.



"Coming here was a big adjustment. For one thing, the mound is three feet further back in college. The seniors that were around made it easier and a lot of fun," Christy said.

Things have changed from those days. The team has a lot more players; especially ones who are committed. This is one reason for the quick turnaround in the program.

"The team is much more confident this year with another year of experience," Christy said.

Whatever the reason is, it has worked!

Christy is having a very good year at the plate. She is currently leading the team in both home runs (2) and slugging percentage (.680). Both of her home runs not only came in the same game against Haverford, but in the same inning! She is currently batting .400, going 10 for 25, while knocking in 10 RBI's.

Christy also has a 3-2 record on the mound with an impressive 26 strikeouts in 32 innings.

The Lady Mules are playing real well, and are in the hunt for the Conference Title. Come out and support the team and their new coach in their title run.

Golf team gets off to a great start

Freshman Matt Skilton fired a team record 72 at the par 70 Western Maryland golf course to help his team to a third place finish in the first match of the year.

The previous record was held by junior co-captain Rob Lobel (round of 73 at Susquehanna).

Led by coach Jeff Tipping, the Mules finished with a team score of 304, just four shots behind winner Towson State.

Also helping the Mules were junior James Tulli (77), sophomores Bryan Mullins (77), Rob Lobel (78), and junior co-captain Scott Olex (80).

"I'm really enthusiastic about our start," co-captain Robby Lobel said.

"I'm very impressed with the dedication of this team," Coach Tipping added. "They are very motivated—practicing in all sorts of bad weather. This group could make something happen in the conference."

On April 4 the golf team traveled to Edgemont golf course where they took on Widener, Swarthmore, and Philadelphia Pharmacy.

The Mules finished in first place led by Brian Mullins' round of 78.

Also on April 7 the men played at their home course, Lehigh Country Club, against Susquehanna and Lebanon Valley. The guys remained undefeated by beating both schools.

Robby Lobel was the low man with a 76 and was followed by Matt Skilton's 79. The win was very exciting for the Mules because Susquehanna is the defending MAC champions.

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Women's Tennis team exorcises Red Devils

Mules win over conference rival Dickinson to bring season record to 1-4

by Scott Burke
***Weekly* Sports Writer**

Tennis seems like such a nice game. There are no fouls, no penalties. All it appears to be is a soft fuzzy ball being hit back and forth between two people.

Yet despite that gentle exterior, all the fierceness of competitive intercollegiate tennis erupted one April 3rd afternoon as the Dickinson Red Devils came to Allentown to meet the Muhlenberg Women's Tennis team.

It started out as a nice afternoon. The sky was blue, the sun was shining. Birds chirped merrily in the trees. Spring had arrived in full. But before the day was over, the happy chirping of the birds would be drowned out by the joyous cheers for a thrilling Muhlenberg victory.

Intercollegiate tennis matches consist of six matches of singles play plus three matches of doubles play, for a total of nine.

The college that wins each match gets one point for each victory, for a total of nine points. A victory could be sealed in the first five singles matches, yet that is rarely the case.

Most often the team victory is decided by the doubles players. The combination of players to form three solid pairs is crucial to team success.

Dickinson started off strong, taking the first two matches from Head Coach Linda Andrews' Muhlenberg team.

And then in the third match it appeared things had turned for the worst. Senior and co-Captain Melanie Moore dropped the first game to her opponent in the first game 0-6. Yet she came back strong to win the second game 6-3, forcing what proved to be a nailbiter of a final game, finishing 7-6(6-4) to come from behind and triumph.

This awakened the Mule spirits as they went on a tear, winning the next three matches. Freshman Marny Baxt claimed victory 6-3, 6-2, freshman Julia Beyer won 7-5, 6-2, and freshman Amy Medalie won on a Dickinson forfeit.

So now Muhlenberg was ahead 4-2, needing only one more victory to cinch the meet. The Red Devils however would not be so easily exorcised. In the first doubles match Dickinson defeated the veteran combination of Kris Dieter and Melanie Moore 8-1.

Muhlenberg could have buckled under the pressure, but they held firm. The team of Julia Hensley and Kristen Cahayla joined to seal the match for Muhlenberg with an 8-3 beating of their opponents.

To finish things off, the freshman pair of Baxt and Beyer won on another Dickinson forfeit. This made the official score for the match 6-3, bringing the Muhlenberg season record to 1-4 with this valuable and important win against Centennial Conference rival Dickinson College.

On an equally beautiful Saturday afternoon later that week, the Mules took a ride to scenic Newark, New Jersey to compete against the team from Rutgers University.

It would be quite a battle on this luscious weekend afternoon; the Rutgers Raiders were posting a very impressive record of twelve victories and only two defeats.

Sadly, despite great effort from the Mules, Rutgers added victory number thirteen, as the 'Berg went down 8-1. The sole positive came from a viscious 6-2, 6-1 thrashing Baxt delivered to the number four Rutgers player.

On Deck at the 'Berg

Baseball:
Fri. 4/11 @ Dickinson
Sat. 4/12 @ Washington
Tue. 4/15 home vs. Swarthmore @ 3:30
Wed. 4/16 home vs. Allentown @ 3:30

Men's Tennis:
Thur. 4/10 home vs. Albright @3:30
Sat. 4/12 home vs. Washington @ 1:00
Tue. 4/15 @ Marywood
Thur. 4/17 @ Moravian

Softball:
Sat. 4/12 @ Western Maryland
Tue. 4/15 home vs. Elizabethtown @ 3:00

Lacrosse:
Sat.4/12home vs.West. Maryland@ 1:00
Tue. 4/15 home vs. Swarthmore @ 4:00
Thur. 4/17 @ Susquehanna

Women's Tennis:
Sat. 4/12 @ Washington
Tue. 4/15 @ Swarthmore

Golf:
Fri. 4/11 @ Moravian Tournament
Mon. 4/14 home vs. Lehigh/Lafayette/ Moravian @ 1:00
Tue. 4/15 @ FDU-Madison

Track:
Sat. 4/12 @ Lehigh Invitational

National Sports Update

The Chicago Cubs have started off the 1997 season with an 0-7 record, tying their worst start ever. The Florida Marlins have the best record in the National League at 6-1.

Cleveland Indians closer Jose Mesa's court case has gone to the jury. The relief pitcher is accused of multiple counts of abuse against two women. Mesa's lawyers argued that the prosecution was trying to engage in a "morality play" against professional athletes. Mesa also faces charges of gross sexual imposition and theft.

Los Angeles Dodger Brett Butler, who missed most of last year with throat cancer, missed his first start of the 1997 season with a swollen lymph node. Doctors cleared Butler to play later that day.

Members of the 1990 NBA champion Detroit Piston basketball team are being investigated in multiple counts of point shaving during the 1990 season.

Philadelphia 76er's guard Allen Iverson scored a career-high 44 points Monday against the Chicago Bulls. Michael Jordan called Iverson the top rookie in the league. Iverson is up against Stephon Marbury. Shareef Abdur- Rahim, and Antoine Walker for Rookie of the Year honors.

New York Jets' quarterback Neil O'Donnell reworked his contract to allow the Jets' more room under the salary cap. By turning some of his 1997 salary into incentives, and cutting a $1.4 million bonus, the Jets will be around $1 million under the cap.

The 61st Masters will be played this week in Augusta, Georgia. Greg Norman will try to avenge his loss of a year ago, when he blew the largest lead in PGA history, losing to Nick Faldo.

The Whalers are trying to make the playoffs in their last season in Hartford. After coming from behind to beat the Buffalo Sabres Monday night, the Whalers are in the last playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

Much improved lacrosse team takes the field for '97 season

Elizabeth Patterson's 18 goals lead Lady Mules to a 3-3 season record

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

The 1997 Muhlenberg College Lacrosse team is no longer looking to improve over last year's season. That's only because they already have improved over last season.

In 1996, the Lady Mules only won two Centennial Conference games. This season, they have already won those two games against Haverford and Dickinson. Last season, they didn't beat either team.

However, Laurie Kerr's team struggled in the first two games, losing to Hartwick 19-8 and conference foe Johns Hopkins 20-1. However, the teams has caught fire since the road loss to Blue Jays.

On March 25, Haverford came to Allentown. The Fords jumped out to an early lead and led at the half 6-4. The Mules kept it close, but with 10 minutes remaining, Muhlenberg still trailed 8-7. With 8:57 left in the game, Elizabeth Patterson scored the tying goal. Less than two minutes later, she scored her sixth goal of the game putting the Mules up 9-8. Her sixth goal was her career best. The Mules maintained their one goal lead before sophomore Katie Kenny sealed the game with a goal in the last minute of play, giving the Mules a 10-8 win.

Two days later, the Dickinson Red Devils brought their 6-4 record from last year into town with them. The Lady Mules came out firing. They jumped out to an 8-0 lead at the half and increased the lead to 12-0 before Red Devils got on the board with 21 minutes left in the second half. The Mules ended up winning 13-2. Kenny had four goals and Patterson had three goals in the blow-out win.

The win launched the Mules to back-to-back conference wins, tying last season's total for conference wins. In the two wins, the goaltending was outstanding. Senior Jen Blair gave up only nine goals, while accumulating 26 saves in 114 minutes of play.

On April 3, the Mules travelled to Widener. The Mules won 17-5, behind Patterson's seven goals. The seven goals was one short of the school record. Patterson has moved to 8th all-time on the total points list with 63 points. The team did manage to tie a school record in the game. The Mules tied the record for consecutive record with three.

The team is very young. Starting center Shannon Lowther is a freshman. Beth Hughes is also a freshman, but has never played lacrosse before.

The Mules also have great leadership. Co-captains Patterson and Sue Ray provide terrific leadership for the young team.

Look for this team to get better with each game. The Mules will definitely play spoiler to many teams in the Centennial Conference.

Auction Reminder

The Muhlenberg Men's Basketball team is running a fund-raising auction at their gym, Memorial Hall, on 24th and Liberty Sts. this Saturday, April 12 at 4:30 p.m.

Great items such as autographed balls from Michael Jordan, Barry Sanders, and the entire 1997 Pro-Bowl Football squads have been collected. For the ladies, there will be an autographed Planet Hollywood jacket from actor Billy Baldwin.

Also available are Flyers Playoff tickets along with Penn St.-Michigan 45-yard line seats. The doors will open at 3:00 p.m. For more information call Head Coach Dave Madeira at 821-3387.

photo by Carly Ringer

Marko Kipa of the Muhlenberg men's hockey team skates up the ice in a recent game.. The Mules' next match is tonight, Thursday, April 10 at 10:00 PM at the Ice Palace in Allentown. Go out and show your support for the hockey team.

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Delta Zeta Ends Alpha Chi's Eleven Year Greek Week Domination

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief and
Larry Carney
Managing Editor

Greek Week has now officially come and gone - at least for the sororities. This year, all eight organizations participated avoiding many of the problems from last year.

Delta Zeta was the victor in this year's competition winning 139 points and finished in first place in nine of the thirteen events. Alpha Chi won second place amassing 122 points and gaining three first place finishes. Phi Mu took third place with 64 points and Phi Sig came in last place with 59 points. The girls competed in a total of thirteen events.

For each event, the first place finisher was given ten points, second place received seven, third place received four, and last place received one. Points were also given for participation in the block party and the alumni leadership conference. This year also marked the first co-ed softball games for which participation points were given. Also, introduction of many athletic events and team sports. Also, educational and service aspects were offered.

Phi Sigma Sigma was given the award for the best sportsmanship.

This year, there were several changes in the week from last year. The first was the re-

Allison McConomy, the Director of Public Relations for Delta Zeta said, "Yes, we were thrilled to win, but even more thrilled to have a chance to spend the entire week with each other. We're really proud of all of our sisters, athletes and cheerleaders alike and congratulate all the Greeks for an awesome week."

Sarah Miner, an Alpha Chi sister commented, "We brought back a lot of the athletic events. This year it ended up getting heated again but it was good overall. However, there is always room for improvement."

Heather Boyd, an Alpha Chi sister adds, "The win [by Delta Zeta] was well-deserved and Delta Zeta's athletic talent was evident."

Lisa Grandinetti, the President of Phi Sigma Sigma stated, "We were proud to win the Sportsmanship Award. It is what we feel Greek Week is about. In many respects, I think Greek Week needs to be re-evaluated. We need to decide what Greek Week is supposed to be. Is it about Greek

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Five Alumni Physicians are Inducted as Shankweiler Fellows

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

On Friday night, five alumni were inducted as Shankweiler Fellows into during the Shankweiler Society Dinner. The mission of the society is to celebrate Muhlenberg's distinguished history of undergraduate education for young men and women entering the field of medicine. Each year, the society inducts graduates who have made tremendous contributions to medicine.

Dr. Henry David Abraham, a 1987 Nobel Peace Prize winner, was the Muhlenberg valedictorian in 1963. Four years later, Abraham received his medical degree from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. After a stint as an intern in pediatrics, he served in the military at the Communicable Disease Center as the medical director of the National Medical Audiovisual Center from 1969 until 1971. In 1974, he completed a residency in psychiatry at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. His career continued to focus in psychiatry and he was named the director of substance abuse programs at Tufts University in 1993.

Abraham's continuing scientific pursuits include the long term effects of LSD on humans and the cause-effect relationship between drug abuse, depression and psychosis.

His honors include the IRIS, Peabody and Emmy Awards for Best Public Television Programs in 1978, 1979, and 1982. He is a founding member of the Physicians for Social Responsibility. He co-authored the Constitution for the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, an organization of which he is a founding member. His work with that organization earned him the Nobel Peace Prize.

Also inducted was Dr. Robert Karp, a 1962 Muhlenberg graduate. Karp concentrated his work in pediatrics and nutrition. He was the director of the Follow-Through Medical Program, which is a federally funded school health and nutrition program for inner-city children in North Philadelphia.

Currently, Karp is the professor of pediatrics at State University of New York-Health Science Center at Brooklyn and director of the Pediatric Resource Center (PRC) of Kings County Hospital. The PRC provides health care to teenage mothers and their children, as well as to abandoned, abused and poverty-stricken children.

In addition, Karp is a lecturer at Institute of Human Nutrition, College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University. He is associate director of The New York/New Jersey Regional Center for Clinical Nutrition Education.

Karp has published more than 30 papers, as well as many abstracts and chapters of books. His honors include Distinguished Service to Children (Camden, NJ) in 1984 and American College of Nutrition (to Regional Center for Clinical Nutrition Education) in 1993.

The third member inducted was Dr. Morrie Kricun. Kricun graduated from Muhlenberg in 1959. He became a resident in Radiology after a stint in the United States Air Force. In 1977, he was named director of the Bone Radiology Division of Diagnostic Radiology at Hahnemann and also received the Clinical Teaching Award.

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News Digest

courtesy of USA Today
compiled by Lauren Casa
News Editor

Jim McDougal, a former business partner and ally of President Clinton, was sentenced to three years in prison Monday for his 1996 conviction on Whitewater-related fraud charges. The sentence is the longest given to anyone who was convicted or pleaded guilty to Whitewater-related crimes.

Stock investors got a different kind of surprise Monday when an unexpected rally stalled the market's nosedive. The Dow Jones industrial average gained 60.21 points, recovering some of the 148 points it lost Friday.

Millions of people who have blocked heart arteries but no chest pain still may benefit from very aggressive treatment including bypass surgery or angioplasty, a preliminary study suggests. The finding also applies to those who have symptoms but appear to be doing fine on medication, the researchers say.

Attorney General Janet Reno Monday rejected calls for the appointment of an independent counsel to investigate White House campaign fundraising activities, prompting angry responses from congressional Republicans.

Two female Army trainees testified at the trial of Staff Sgt. Delmar Simpson that the drill instructior raped them at the Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland. Twelve soldiers at the base have been charged with sexual misconduct. Simpson has admitted consensual sex with 11 female subordinates but denies raping anyone.

Congressional and White House budget negotiators reported small progress Monday that they hope could lead to a broader agreement on a balanced budget. Negotiators in both parties indicated progress toward a potential broader deal to end deficits by 2002.

The Senate is expected to approve a bill today to create a temporary storage facility in the Nevada desert to house 30,000 tons of nuclear waste now held at reactors in 31 states. It will be several years before a decision is made on whether the site is suitable.

The Clinton Administration and some business leaders are headed for conflict over Clinton's plan to offer government contracts only to companies that have satisfactory labor and employment practices. Last year, business won a court challenge over Clinton's order barring federal contracts to employers who hire replacement workers in strikes.

Several thousand people lined the streets of Zaire's second-largest city of Lubumbashi on Monday, hailing rebel leader Laurent Kabila as a "liberator" who was driving dictator Mobutu Seso Seko from office. In the capital Kinshasa, Mobutu's opponents called for Zairians to boycott work for a day.

Jewish settlers turned against the Israeli forces deployed to protect them, throwing items at them in the divided city of Hebron. The riots have been a daily occurrence since Israel began building a Jewish housing settlement in a part of Jerusalem where Palestinians hope to establish a capital.

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Shankweiler Society inducts five new members at annual dinner

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In 1981, Kricun moved to the University of Pennsylvania as associate professor of radiology. In 1990, he was promoted to the professor of radiology and became an associate professor of the Graduate Group in Anthropology. Also that year, he received the Fellowship from the American College of Radiology and was elected a Fellow of the American College of Radiology the following year.

Currently, he lectures worldwide and is a member of several international and national societies and in 1988 received a grant from the Research Foundation of the University of Pennsylvania for investigation of skeletal remains of prehistoric Australian Aborigines.

The fourth inductee was Dr. Herbert Needleman, one of the first to study the effects of lead content on intelligence in children. He found that analyzing of a child's teeth could determine the body burden of lead. This method is now used around the world.

Among his many accomplishments, he has testified before the United States Senate and House of Representatives on the effects of lead and has been a consultant to the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

He has been elected to the National Academy of Sciences, Institute of Medicine in 1990. Short of the Nobel Prize, this is the highest award for a physician.

Finally, Dr. Katherine C. Teets Grimm was inducted as a Shankweiler fellow. She is the co-program director of Pediatrics Housestaff Training, medical director of the Rape Crisis Intervention Program, director of the Pediatric allergy Clinic, director of the Pediatric School Health and Early Childhood Programs and associate professor of Pediatrics.

Grimm's honors include the 1993 Alexander Richman Award for Humanism in Medicine and in 1994 the Rape Crisis Intervention Award for Distinction. She is a fellow in the American Academy of Pediatrics and a member of several societies and associations.

Overall, students appreciated the experience. "It was a great opportunity to meet many prominent people in the medical profession. I enjoyed it," said Lisa Grandinetti, a current junior.

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Campus Safety Notes

Vandalism to vehicles increases on campus

BB guns responsible for damage in many incidents

4/8/97 - Violation - Walz Hall - BB gun holes in 2nd and 3rd floor doors, four students identified with BB guns, two had them in possession, two were disposed of, referred to judicial board

4/8/97 - Incense Burning - East Hall - fire safety hazard and violation of residence hall regulations, sent to judicial board

4/8/97 - Vandalism to Vehicle - Prosser Lot - BB gun hole in windshield

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4/8/97 - Vandalism to Vehicle - Prosser Lot - BB gun hole in windshield, confiscated two guns from residents of Prosser, referred to judicial board

4/8/97 - Malicious Mischief - Prosser Lot - cigar crushed into top of car leaving burn marks

4/8/97 - Harrassment by Communication - Off-campus - male calling repeating woman's name

4/8/97 - Maintenance Problems - Prosser - pin broken off in lock

4/8/97 - Fire Alarm - Benfer - steam from shower

4/8/97 - Vandalism - ML - safety glass in door shattered but in place, south door

4/9/97 - Theft - Trexler Library - cash from wallet, wallet recovered minus cash

4/9/97 - Sick Student - Prosser

4/10/97 - Harrassment by Communication - Brown - male calling women but not sexually explicit

4/10/97 - Theft from Vehicle - Leh Street - two tires

4/10/97 - Vandalism - Benfer - window in main entrance smashed out

4/10/97 - Fire Alarm - Benfer - dust from HD Lyons from working on air system

4/10/97 - Parking Violation - LSC - parking in fire lane caused campus safety from taking student to the hospital

4/11/97 - Theft - Prosser - magnetic Domino's Pizza sign

4/11/97 - Fire Alarm - Prosser - detector above store in lounge

4/ll/97 - Alcohol Violation - Prosser - residents referred to judicial board

4/11/97 - Harrassment by Communication - Prosser

4/11/97 - Fire Alarm - Benfer - burnt chocolate in microwave

4/11/97 - Theft from Vehicle - 26th St - no sign of forced entry, face plate of stereo stolen

4/11/97 - Malicious Mischief - Gordon St. - vehicle hit by three eggs

4/11/97 - Theft - Seegers' Union - The Wood Company, 8-10 bottles of liquor in box

4/12/97 - Vandalism - Trumbower - interior upper window - damaged by single BB hole

4/12/97 - Fire Alarm - MacGregor - food on stove

4/12/97 - Controlled Substance - Walz - paraphernalia, underage drinking, four referred to judicial board

4/12/97 - Assist Other Agency - 420 N. 22nd St. - noise violation, one citation for noise issued to Amy Valli

4/13/97 - Vandalism - Benfer - second floor door

4/13/97 - Harrassment by Communication - ML - male on another male, three calls, followed by knock on Sunday morning

4/13/97 - Unregistered Guest - Brown - warning given

4/13/97 - Fire Violation - Millerheim - burning candle

4/13/97 - Information - Bernheim - safety hazard, individual walking or talking on 2nd floor porch

4/13/97 - Vandalism - Center for the Arts - tried to remove plexi-glass from vending machine

4/13/97 - Sick Student - Seegers' Union

4/14/97 - Vandalism - HQ - malicious mischief, several weeks ago windshield of a car was shot while parked in Hillside parking lot

4/14/97 - Vandalism - HQ - small hole noticed in windshield on 26th St. but not on same date

Remember NOT to leave books and valuables unattended on campus, even in the library. Report anything stolen to Campus Safety immediately.

Does your Asthma Get Worse With Spring Allergies?

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Cortines Discusses Problems in Public Schools and Their Remedies

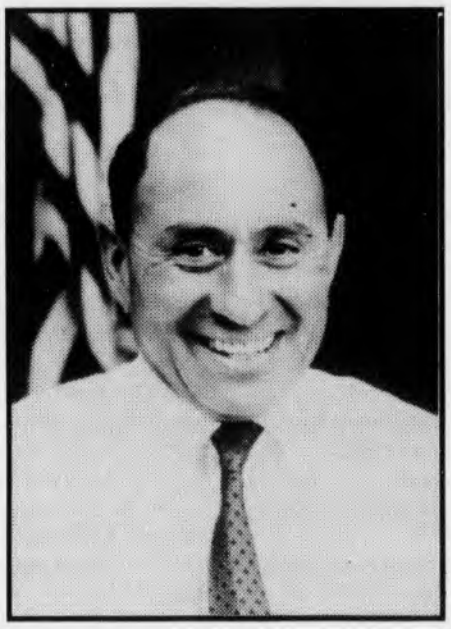
Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellowship Presents United States Assistant Secretary of Education

by Lauren Casa
News Editor

Assistant Secretary of Education in the U.S. Department of Education and nationally known educator, Dr. Ramon Cortines spoke to students, faculty and community members on Tuesday evening about public school problems in America and their practical and attainable remedies.

Dr. Cortines opened his lecture by saying that if it were not for the persistance of the Psychology Department's Dr. Vimla Sinha, he would not have been at Muhlenberg. Cortines also remarked that his visit to Muhlenberg was one of the most exciting opportunities he has had this month. Being surrounded by eager students who want to be involved in education is encouraging especially since they are "the future of this great nation."

Dr. Cortines explained that "to be a good teacher, you constantly have to be a learner." Teaching the youth of America is a demanding responsibility which requires the determination of the educator and parents. "Education is on everybody's agenda. Parents are often dismissed as teachers," although they are the fundamental educators of children.



According to Cortines, "we have a moral, civic and imperative duty" to educate students and remedy the problems and "blurred" opinions of the public school system.

One of the most disturbing circumstances Cortines encountered during his career was when he discovered some students in the New York City School System carried guns to school not for protection from other students, but for protection en route to school. He observed that we "can't separate schools from their environment whether it is in an urban, suburban or rural district. The only distinguishing element between urban schools and suburban and rural schools is that the scale of the environment is different."

In order to remedy the problems facing the public school district, the "institutional standards must be raised in order to raise the educational standards." Society needs a "theory grounded in practice; nothing will improve until more attention is given" to the structures of education.

Dr. Cortines strongly suggested that "too much time was being spent on the debate [about education or lack thereof] and not enough on action" or execution. "All American children belong to all of us" and we are therefore collectively responsible for educating the youth of this country. "Public education is everybody's job. We need to educate children for our own selfish interests," meaning to improve our country and subsequently our future.

Cortines explained that one problem of education is that "we haven't used research well enough in schools." There needs to be more application of research findings because they will be beneficial to satisfying the needs of the United States Education System.

Dr. Cortines has worked in the field of education of forty years and is acknowledged for his challenging positions as Chancellor of the New York City School System and more recently as Superintendent of the San Francisco Public School District. Dr. Cortines has served in various capacities with the U.S. Department of Health, Education & Welfare in Washington, D.C. Cortines has served both in the classroom and in the administrative realm.

Greeks come together for a week of competition

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Unity through friendly activities or is it about cut-throat competition? We try to push the aspect that we are doing this for fun. That was the attitude we tried to convey."

Brian Mauro, Director of Greek Affairs commented, "The most positive change that was made to Greek Week was that the fraternities and sororities required community service and an educational program as part of Greek Week. For the women, the major change that occurred was that the events became more sports oriented. They also utilized outsiders (non-members or administrators) to referee the events. That eliminated some of the controversies from previous years. The fraternities made only a few small changes in the events and added some preventive measures to prevent any problems form occurring.

Mauro also believes there will be some changes next year. He said, "The changes Greek Week events ultimately rests in the hands of the fraternities and sororities. The biggest change is that the Greek Week schedule will be planned well in advance for both fraternities and sororities which will allow them to better publicize the activities. I also foresee some additional co-ed events in the future. I believe that the women will eliminate some of the sporting events. They will replace them with some fun-spirited games which rely less upon athletic ability. That will eliminate the need for so many preliminarily games the week before Greek Week."

Due to inclement weather, fraternity Greek Week has turned into Greek Weeks. Tennis and Softball are finishing up today. Tomorrow, the competition ends with the greatest Greek Week event of all, the tug. Start time for the tug is scheduled for 7:15 p.m. on the Library Field. As of now, ATO is in the lead with TKE a close second. SigEp is in third and nine points ahead of AEPi. Official results of the men's race will not be known until the end of the week.

Sport	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Soccer	DZ	AXO	PSS	PM
Basketball	DZ	PM	AXO	PSS
Volleyball	DZ	AXO	PM	PSS
Softball	DZ	AXO	PM	PSS
Floor Hockey	PM	AXO	DZ	PSS
Swimming	AXO	DZ	PM	PSS
Tug	DZ	AXO	PSS	PM
Track	AXO	DZ	PSS	PM
Obstacle Course	DZ	AXO	PM	PSS
Billiards	AXO	DZ	PSS	PM
Bowling	DZ	AXO	PSS	PM
Eating Contest	DZ	AXO	PSS	PM
Darts	DZ	AXO	PSS	PM

Final Scores:

DZ-139
AXO-122
PM-64
PSS-59

Greek Awards Banquet Held to Honor Fraternities and Sororities

Phi Sig and Sig Ep Capture Most Awards at Dinner Recognizing Greek Achievement

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

On Sunday, the Greek Awards Banquet was held to honor the achievements of Greek organizations and members. A total of ten awards were given to fraternities and nine to sororities. All Greek houses had to submit applications for the awards. The applications were reviewed by a committee consisting of Becky Grace, Director of Student Activities, Linda Bips, Director of Counseling, and Michael Bruckner, vice-president of Public Relations.

Sigma Phi Epsilon won five out of the ten awards given to the fraternities plus a sportsmanship award. The first award was for the highest new member G.P.A. and was part of the Academic Achievements Award. The next award won by the group was the Campus Involvement Award which is meant to highlight a group who shows true involvement on the Muhlenberg campus because it is felt an involved house becomes more well-rounded and diverse. SigEp was also successful in winning the award for the best alumni newsletter. This year's newsletter highlighted work being done by both alumni and current brother and featured three photographs. This award is important because the newsletter is one of the best ways to link alumni, who can help drastically improve a house, to the current brothers. Dr. Russell, SigEp's faculty advisor and a professor of chemistry, was awarded the Outstanding Advisor award. Finally, they also won the award for the most overall community service.

Sigma Phi Epsilon also won the sportsmanship award for showing a high level of sportsmanship in this year's Greek Week.

Tau Kappa Epsilon and Alpha Epsilon Pi each received two awards. TKE received the award for risk management because they have experienced growth in this area since the beginning of the semester. TKE also won an academic award for having the highest overall member G.P.A.

AEPi won the award for educational programming which is meant to honor the group which shows strong unity as a Greek organization and keeps all members involved and educated in the house. In addition, the Outstanding Greek of the Year Award was given to Sam Agris. This award highlights the person who has shown the most outstanding commitment to their house and the community as a whole.

Alpha Tau Omega won the final award for the best single community service act. ATO helped to gut an old crack house in Allentown.

For the women, Phi Sigma Sigma won the most awards leading the pack with four. The groups won the awards for most campus involvement, the most community service, the best single act of community service, and the sportsmanship award.

President of Phi Sigma Sigma, Lisa Grandinetti, said, "I am proud of what we did. We won some heavy hitters. Winning the Community Service Award and Campus Involvement Award were great. It's what we're all about."

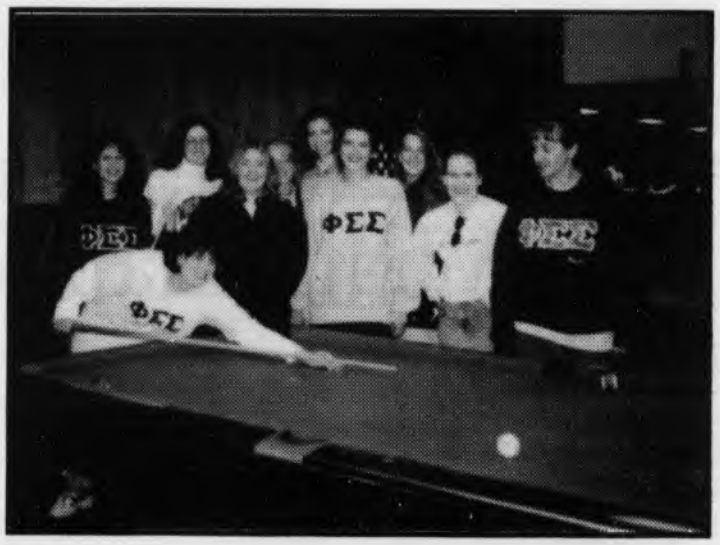
She added, "The first Greek Awards Banquet was a great idea! I hope that it is continued because the good things Greeks do are sometimes overshadowed by the negative things that are more highly publicized. This awards banquet is in the step in the right direction in improving the Greek system."

Phi Mu won advisor of the year for Dr. Diquinzio as well as the alumni newsletter award, and the highest new member G.P.A.

Alpha Chi Omega won two awards, the first being for educational programming. In addition, Jen Blair was named Greek of the Year.

Delta Zeta won the Academic Achievement award for having the highest overall G.P.A.

Scenes from Greek Week 1997



Weekly music critic urges students to be selective

Soul Coughing:
Distortion not included
CD Review by David G. Boelker

Let's just get one thing straight right now. We all like different types of music, but sometimes we can get stuck in a quagmire of the same regurgitated styles. I will consider it my job to keep readers updated on all kinds of music. Case in point, mid to late 80's glam rock that we all so easily, naively embraced in our most formidable, early teen years. Let's not let another band like Skid Row or Cinderella make any more money. In other words, stop buying the new Bush CD. Nonetheless, you never know what you might like. Sometimes I even surprise myself. I do claim to have a bit of diversity, maybe not to the extremes, but still, contrasting styles abound in my collection, and I plan to let you in on all types. From the Beastie Boys to the Charlie Daniels Band, The Bloodhound Gang to Radiohead and The Smashing Pumpkins to Neil Young.

O.K., so here's an honest-to- goodness review. The band, Soul Coughing with their most recent release, *Irresistible Bliss* (really it has been out since late 1996, sue me). A quick look at the cover, and your scared.

Gaudy and ridiculous, but so what? You might just classify them, if this is really necessary, as a jazzy, bass-heavy slow-funk band rising above and beyond, in terms of musical puritanism, the trash catapulted onto the "Top" 40 charts by the big boys in the music industry.

Now when I say bass-heavy, I am not talking about computers and high tech equipment, but a regular old four-string, stand-up musical instrument. In these days when rock and roll is smothered with distortion and experimentation, these guys break it down to a mildly visceral level that is simply beautiful. This album can really bring you back to the thick roots of American music. None of the tracks are complicated or intrusive, but are still as captivating as any arrangement of which you might experience. Sure, the lead singer, (this is a stretch) cannot sing, but his Dave Matthewish voice seems eerily fitting with the music.

Although Soul Coughing is instrumentally simple, their musical genius creeps through by producing an album that has tracks on it that you could actually dance to, if this is really necessary, such as "Super Bon Bon," "Soft Serve" (my personal favorite) and "The Idiot Kings," or even fall asleep to, like "Lazybones," "4 out of 5" or "Collapse." When I asked a friend what he thought of Soul Coughing, all he could say was that they were really cool. It was not a statement of inarticulation, but one of the fervent expression of satisfaction. Enough said.

Muhlenberg Dance Ensemble holds second annual student concert

by Jenny-Lynn Knotek
Assitant News Editor

This coming Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, the Muhlenberg Dance Ensemble will hold its second annual Student Choreographed Concert at 8 PM in the dance studio of Brown's basement. Many dancers have put in long hours for this production, and the students who choreographed are ready to show their works to the outside audience.

This year's performance will be much different from that of last year's. There are no ballet pieces. There are two tap numbers. There is a funk, hip-hop piece. There's even a folk number. Sophomores seem to dominate the show.

Starting the show, sophomores Jennifer Dite and Erika Etlen have choreographed "Manipulation," a hip-hop funk number to a mix of Michael Jackson's songs, from the Jackson Five to "Remember the Time." It includes many variations of Jackson's steps; there are ten dancers, and is striking to the eye, using red and white tops against black jazz pants. The theme, however, must remain secret until the show, according to Dite.

Returning for her second time as choreographer, junior Jessica Swainbank choreographs "5'10' and 90 pounds," a dance about eating disorders. Using five female dancers, Swainbank uses dark lighting and drab costumes as well as large, repeated gestures to send her theme out easily to the audience.

Sophomore Lanell Stang, choreographing by herself this year, gives us "Wonder Years," a tap piece inspired by a discussion some of the Cabaret dancers had in October - what would it be like to dance in a heeled tap shoe and a flat tap shoe? She came up with the idea of being half female and half male, and showing the relationships the two sexes go through over the years.

Ending the first half of the show, sophomores Elmer Moore and Meredith Cole have collaborated to make the duet, "Consecutive Cycles," an interpretive dance. Both dancers work well with each other to establish their general theme of balances in relationships. However, it is open to the audience as to what they see in the piece, through this theme. Starting the second half of the concert, seniors Abra Pappa and Heather Nucifora return for the second time as choreographers, this time working with a group instead of just as a duet. Called "Uncle Denny's," the modern piece is about accepting the death of a loved one. Heather's Uncle Dennis died this past winter, and she has used dance to express her feelings toward the death and letting go.

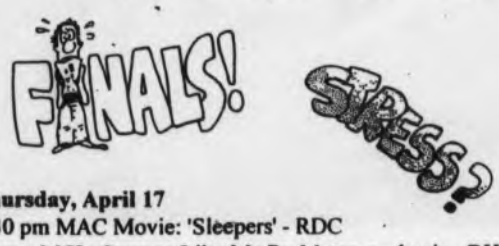
Sophomore Aimee Allione presents a dance not usually seen in the shows at Muhlenberg - a medieval folk dance. Using six dancers, she presents the audience with a look at relationships.

Using five women, sophomore JoAnne Strug gives the audience "Dark Passion," a modern dance about relationships and dealing with the end of them. It shows the dark emotions that many people feel when they lose a loving relationship.

Finally, sophomore Rebekkah Brown brings on another tap piece, similar to what she did last year. The fifteen minute piece, entitled "What's in a Name?" presents the problem of what kind of tap is best. As it turns out, all are great and all are fun and easy. This year's show is an excellent look at dance composition in practice. Each piece takes its theme and presents it in a clear way. The show will be this week, starting at 8 PM in the Brown dance studio and will run Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. There are no reserved seats, and it is first come, best seats.

The following Friday, the 26th, the Freshman Showing will be held in the same place at 6 PM, and will feature several pieces by freshman as well as a short demonstrative piece of African lamba, presented by students in the African Dance and Culture class.

What 's happening on campus?



Thursday, April 17
5:30 pm MAC Movie: 'Sleepers' - RDC
9 pm - MCL: Strange Like Me By Metamorphosis - RH

Friday, April 18
4 pm - Student Recital - RH
8 pm - Piano Concert: Frederic Chiu - ET
8 - 11 pm - Numerologist - RDC
9 pm - Comedy Improv - RDC
FREE GAME NIGHT - Game Room

Saturday, April 19
12 pm - M Tennis vs JHU
1 pm - Softball vs Gettysburg - DH
1 pm - ATO / MAC / Panhel Volleyball Tournament
2 - 6 pm - Soul Clowns
3 pm - W Tennis vs JHU
8 pm - Wind Ensemble Concert - ET

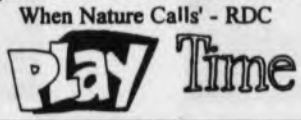
Sunday, April 20
10 am - Hillel Awards Ceremony -SU 108
3 pm - Honors Convocation - CH
5:30 pm - MAC Movie: 'Sleepless in Seatle' - RD

Monday, April 21
RUSH Information - Seegers Union Lobby
Passover begins at sundown
3:30 pm - M Tennis vs Allentown
6:30 pm - Passover Seder - SU 108

Tuesday, April 22
3:30 pm - Baseball vs Haverford
4 pm - Lacrosse vs Drew

Wednesday, April 23
Professional Secretaries Day
2:30 pm - Softball vs New Jersey - DH
3:30 pm - M Tennis vs Ursinus
5 pm - MAC Movie: 'Sleepers' - RDC

Friday, April 25
4 pm - Student Recital - RH
East Fest -
4 - 10 pm - Carnival Games
4:30 - 7 pm - Dinner
5:30 - 8 pm - Band
8 pm - Jazz Band Concert - ET
9 - 11 pm - RHA Open Mic Night - UG
9 pm - MAC Movie: 'Ace Ventura 2: When Nature Calls' - RDC



Saturday, April 26
Junior Open House
1 pm - Softball vs Ursinus - DH
1 pm - Lacrosse vs F&M
Benfer Bash:
2 - 8 pm - Games
4:30 - 7 pm - Dinner
5:30 - 8 pm - Band
8 pm - Art Club Fashion Show - CH
9 pm - MAC Movie: 'Sleepers' - RDC

Sunday, April 27
12 - 8 pm - Housing Lottery - MH
2 pm - Puppet Theater: 'Bread and Butter' - Kern Field
8:30 pm - MAC Movie: 'Sleepers' - RDC

Monday, April 28
7:30 pm - Opera Group Performance - RH

Tuesday, April 29
12 - 6 pm - Star Struck Studios - SU
3 pm - Softball vs Scranton - DH
7:30 pm - Opera Group Performance

Wednesday, April 30
LAST DAY OF CLASSES

Consult the Mule.....Your Weekly Horoscope

by Jennifer Zwirn and Sherry Fazio

Aries (3/21 - 4/19)

Hey there Aries...well, well, well, you sure are turning over a new leaf. For once instead of getting you into trouble, your mouth worked for you! Your stubborn tendencies have subsided, for the time being anyway, and you have decided to seize the day. This is a good thing, Aries! Swallowing your pride and being the first one to speak doesn't come often with you...but we have to give you props for actually following through on your instincts this time. Sometimes things unexpectedly crawl up on you in life and clue you into things that you should have realized a long time ago. However, it is better late than never...just know that you did your part and if things are meant to be then they will fall into place.

Taurus (4/20 - 5/20)

Well, Taurus, you've been busy thinking through a lot of important issues in your life. It's always good every now and then to take time out and have a little self analysis, especially when your decisions are going to have an effect on those you care about. Sometimes in sticky situations, the best decision hurts a little. Even though you know that you're trying to do the right thing, a few feet might get stepped on along the way. Keep in mind that you can't please everyone all of the time, so put yourself first. Being in college introduces you to a lot of new experiences and relationships, but that doesn't mean that you have to jump into any of them. If something is meant to happen, it will, right?! Things might take a little longer...having patience is a definite plus in your scenario.

Gemini (5/21 - 6/21)

OK, so you feel the need to play parent every now and then...that's great, Gem! Everyone needs someone else to keep an eye out for them, but perhaps you're taking this a wee bit too far lately! If there is any time in life then it is now for us to grow up, right?! Why do you have such a problem letting your friends make decisions for themselves? It really isn't your job to hold anyone's hand. We all learn from our mistakes and it will only irritate the situation if you play the annoying "I told you so" game. If you haven't noticed yet, everybody hates hearing that. Your opinions are only valuable when they are asked for...remember this. There's a time and a place for everything. Take a step back and look at yourself. Listening to your own advice may do wonders for your social life!

Cancer (6/22 - 7/22)

Well Cancer we're just blatently going to spell this out for you...have you completely lost all your morals?! What happened to that person who knew exactly who they were, where they were going, and what was happening in the process? You are so unique, Cancer, and your strength is something which could overpower an entire country, however, lately you have been questioning yourself. Were you aware of this and if you are then why the change in your regular routine? You have plenty of friends, so there is no reason to try to impress others now. What is the real reason behind your new weekend activities and your jump from being leader to playing follower? College can compromise your morals for anything. Never forget who you are or what you stand for.

Leo (8/23 - 8/22)

Hey Leo...haven't we been just a little bit harsh lately? There is a big difference between being a pushover and having a heart of steel, however you seem to be having a problem finding a happy medium between the two. Did you forget the meaning of the word *diplomatic?* Whatever your point was, you definitely made it, so let it go already!! There is no reason to pound a dead horse into the ground! Try to jump out of the situation and listen to yourself speak for just a second. Then think about how it feels and what you're doing to somebody else. You have a good head on your shoulders and you usually know what you're doing before you jump into anything, so just think for a second. Remember that the truth does hurt, especially when you're pounding your opinion into others.

Virgo (8/23 - 9/22)

Hey Virgo, are you trying to win an Oscar or something?! Life really does not have to be such a production but apparently as the king/queen of melodrama, you beg to differ, huh?! Let us clue you in on something...a hang nail is not considered a natural disaster in almost every part of the world! Is there a particular reason you suddenly feel the need to take your dramatic abilities and talents with you outside of the classroom?! Virgo, please get a grip! If your friends wanted to see a play, they'd buy tickets! It's time that you grab hold of your emotions and realize that it isn't necessary to show every emotion at the exact time you're feeling it?! Of course, being happy is great, so go ahead and smile, but let's get real...tears can be very annoying, especially if you have nothing to cry about in the first place!

Libra (9/23 - 10/23)

Well, we've all got problems, but it seems like this week you're in turmoil overload! Perhaps you ought to sit down for this one...you have become such a little busy body and enough is enough! It's great to be concerned with everyone else, but you have gone above and beyond the call of duty...give it up. This was inevitably going to catch up with you sooner or later, and although it caught you off guard, we know you're capable of keeping out of others' business. After all, you're so busy with everything on campus, it's a wonder you even have time to deal with anyone else! Stop meddling or soon you won't have anyone to talk to, let alone bother about their personal business! The sooner you realize this, the better off you'll be, Libra!

Scorpio (10/24 - 11/22)

You've been walking around in a daze recently, Scorpio...what's up with this?! Your head seems to be stuck in the clouds like they're marshmallow fluff! Even when you're actually aware of what's going on, you seem to be busy putting yourself down instead of actually having fun. You know, if you spent more time just enjoying everything as it comes then you wouldn't have to be concerned with everything you've been stressfully pondering in the land of worry warts lately! Lighten up, Scorpio...life doesn't have to be this complicated. Take things as they come and then deal accordingly. Stop beating yourself up before anything even happens...the fight you're having with your conscience is one that seems to be more painful than any person could ever have the power to inflict upon you. Either you need to figure out what you're killing yourself over or you need to just relax already...think about it Scorpio!

Sagittarius (11/23 - 12/21)

Well, aren't we Mr./Ms. self-absorbed lately? Apparently you think that your friends' worlds revolve around you. Come on now, Sag, don't flatter yourself! Of course you've got a lot to offer but seriously, your ego is getting a little enlarged! It's great to feel secure in all you do, and it's even better to finally see you walking around campus with your head up, but have you forgotten how you ended up where you are?! Your friends have helped you out so much recently...did you forget how to say thanks?! They pulled you out of your slump and now it's your payback time. Perhaps you should pay a little more attention to the important people in your life, Sag. Let your friends know that even though you've been caught up with your newly found self-esteem, you honestly do appreciate all they've been doing for you.

Capricorn (12/22 - 1/19)

Oh dear, Cap...seems like once again you have found yourself in a rather uncomfortable situation. By now you should be used to this, so what are you going to do this time?! You have will power and common sense oozing out of your ears...your head is just so full of good things...it's just a matter of finding it all and putting this stuff to good use, Cap! You probably think that if you don't deal with your traumatic mishaps, then others will. Big mistake...hello...this is college...welcome to the land of making your bed and lying in it. If you get yourself into things then you can get yourself out of them. You are in control of your actions and the reactions. It's all about destiny, Cap, and you know that it's all in your hands.

Aquarius (1/20 - 2/18)

What to do, what to do? Should you or shouldn't you?! You've got this whole teeter totter thing going on and it's starting to make you sick. Of course, there are a few problems that flipping a coin just isn't going to resolve. This is the time to use your head...you've been blessed with a pretty good one so how about digging really deep and making the right choice for yourself?! We know it's easier to just let things be, but come on, Aquarius...how about this time making things happen instead of waiting around for others to do it for you?! You know that saying you can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink? Try evaluating the pros and cons of your decision already! It's about time!

Pisces (2/19 - 3/20)

Hey Pisces...what seems to be eating at you lately?! Have you kissed one too many frogs or something?! Have no fear, Pisces...we'll let you in on a little secret! There is a prerequisite for how many frogs you have to kiss before you find your prince/princess! Yes, love is trying, tormenting, terrific, and even terrible at times too. But if you don't have a little taste of everything then you'll never know which is the best! You have to pick and choose a little if you expect to get something you really like! You may get discouraged every now and then, but there's really no need to...after all let's think about things on a positive note...at least you're making lots of new friends!

Cusack on target in quirky comedy

Grosse Pointe Blank ★★★
Hollywood Pictures
Movie Review by Brian Teta

In the edgy new comedy ***Grosse Pointe Blank***, John Cusack (***Say Anything***) plays Martin Q. Blank, a professional killer who on the advice of his therapist, decides to attend his 10th high school reunion.

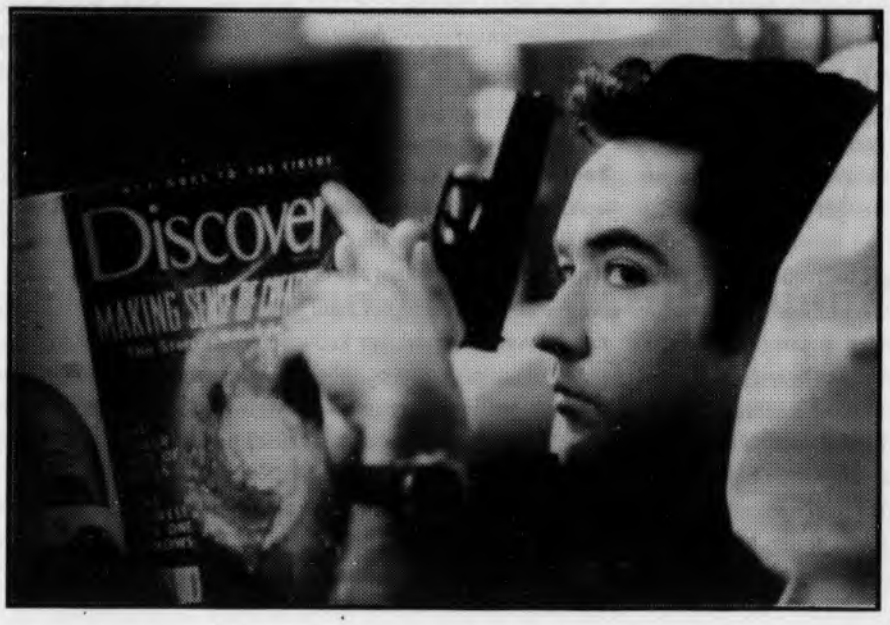
Charming and proficient as a hired gun, Martin has established a lucrative business, specializing in assassinations.

Although extremely succesful, he begins to realize his life still lacks meaning.

In his earnest search to find "fulfillment and truth," he decides to return to his hometown Grosse Point for the reunion, to reconcile with long-lost love Debi, played by ***Circle of Friends'*** Minnie Driver, and to perform one last hit.

Unfortuntely, Martin can't seem to leave his work behind as his past and present collide when his arch-rival Grocer (Dan Aykroyd), shows up to erase his future.

If this dark and quirky comedy seems tailor made for John Cusack's comedic gifts, that's because it was. Cusack does triple duty on ***Grosse Pointe Blank*** as its star, writer and producer.



He is backed amiably by the extremely charming Driver, who manages an impeccable American accent in spite of her British roots. As Debi, Driver manages the same combination of vulnerability and spirit that won over audiences in ***Circle of Friends***.

Aykroyd's Grocer should seem familiar to most of his fans as merely another riff on his manic SNL persona. Grocer holds a grudge on Blank for both stealing his accounts and for refusing to join the "hitman's union" he is organizing.

The film's strongest supporting role however belongs to Alan Arkin who steals the movie as Blank's reluctant therapist.

Rounding out the cast is Cusack's sister Joan as his incredibly efficient secretary, and Hank Azaria (The Birdcage)as a corrupt federal agent also after Blank.

Grosse Pointe Blank manages to be both funny and poignant tackling issues from the meaning of life to the pros and cons of organized labor.

Cusack's humor is an acquired taste and many may find his sardonic humor tough to take.Still, Grosse Pointe Blank is an incredibly witty and original movie that is definitely worth seeing.

Movie Listings

Return of The Jedi
1:30, 4:10, 7:00, 9:40

Chasing Amy
2:20, 4:30, 7:30, 10:00, 12:00,

Liar Liar
2:00, 5:10, 7:40, 10:00, 12:00

Eight Heads
2:45, 4:50, 7:20, 9:30, 12:00

Murder at 1600
2:30, 4:40, 7:10, 9:50, 12:00

Grosse Pointe Blank
2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45, 12:00

That Old Feeling
2:10, 4:30, 7:10, 9:30

Rocky Horror
12:00

Scream
9:20, 12:00

Inventing the Abbots
4:00

The Kafka Project changes the way students view theater

by Jenny-Lynn Knotek
Assistant News Editor

Wednesday night, the Muhlenberg Theatre Association and the theatre laboratory Our Shoes Are Red presented the opening performance of The Kafka Project, a work in progress.

Although quite different than anything presented in Empie Theatre, it held the audience's attention and is a breakthrough in drama production and experience.

Directed and conceived by Devon Allen, The Kafka Project is a play about Franz Kafka's life, based on his letters and diary entries.

The primary focus of the play is Kafka's transformation from man to "vermin" and his slow improvement and replacement to society.

The play begins with "The Metamorphosis," which shows, in a unique style, the occurrence of Kafka's strange behavior.

Using a spider marionette and a makeshift door, the players produce a humorous yet revealing look at Kafka's transformation.

Freshman Ryan Gardner, who plays the ongoing role of Kafka, is excellent in showing the emotion and feelings of his time in isolation.

Throughout the entire length of the play, he is contained in a box, until he finally escapes at the end. His song, "Letter to a Father/Letter to a Dead Father," is stunningly sung by this rising actor.

Sophomore John Moletress also has an excellent singing monologue in "The Country Doctor."

Portraying the sickly Kafka, he sings of his pain and suffering and convinces the audience of his wounds.

James Crawford, actor-in-residence this semester at Muhlenberg, also has a stunning performance as Kafka's father, and gives a stunning monologue as an old Kafka, delivering a speech to colleagues in "Report to an Academy."

As a recovered vermin, Crawford tells the Academy about his experiences as an outsider looking in on society.

The three women of the play - sophomore Amy Armstrong, and freshmen Alicia Pax Guevara and Nora Whittaker - also gave a stunning performance, playing three mice-like women of society in "Josephine, the Mouse-Singer."

Whittaker has a beautiful solo, singing in a low voice, which the two high-pitched mouse-women dislike very much. Armstrong also gives a humorous performance of a wild gorilla-girl in "Report to an Academy."

Each of the other members of the ensemble had parts which seemed to fit each one as if it had been designed just for them.

Freshman Ruben Ortiz portrays an excellent country doctor, whom Kafka frightens with his sickly description of himself; senior Pete Barry plays a sadistic torturer in "In the Penal Colony;" and Demos Tsilikoudis portrays a sex-hungry stableboy and amicable office manager.

Not only was the acting superb, but the student contributions offstage enhanced the onstage production even more.

Sophomores Michael Geller and Zachary Mannheimer helped write for The Kafka Project; Geller also assisted Dr. Johan Åhr as dramaturge.

Geller said, "It was really interesting putting together such a play, based on someone's letters and writings."

In the pit, senior Megan Bosso and freshmen Jenna Leedom, Erika Torschia, and Kathleen Schmitz helped with instrumental and singing interludes.

The set, designed by Timothy Averill, resident faculty designer, was schematic yet effective for The Kafka Project.

Using scaffolding for several scenes, the only other real set pieces were a bed and a moveable box.

The lighting, by Trui Malten, was also sparse but strong.

These elements, though meager for a main stage production, were enough for The Kafka Project, as the acting was powerful enough to portray and complete what the eye did not see.

Choreographer Susan Creitz adds a bit of movement with beginning and ending sequences for the play. A little over the heads of the audience, it did add a striking change to the usual acting and dancing in Empie Theatre staged productions.

Allen and student assistant director, sophomore Ashley Kenzer, have directed an incredible black box-type play that is ready for the mainstage.

Although parts of The Kafka Project were foreign to the common audience member, the meaning and interpretation were readily noticeable and wonderfully performed.

The contributing students have put in many long hours for this production, and it is an incredible work which is not only beautifully staged and performed, but written by students with an air of confidence and expertise.

Columnist Calls For the Elimination of Affirmative Action

Conservative Corner
by Gene Bergenn

Can anyone deny the fact that Affirmative Action is a degrading and tragic liberal scheme which has done nothing but wreak havoc on America? Affirmative Action, by definition, helps some people based on race or gender and hurts others for the same reason. Does that sound fair to you? This was the plan that was supposed to produce the colorblind society that everyone was dreaming of when they concocted this moronic policy.

According to its supporters, it does create a certain amount of unfairness, but nothing like the injustice of the days before the Civil Rights Act. Therefore, this injustice has a noble purpose(according to the libbies). It helps people who need it.

Really? Is that so? That's great! Who does it help by the way? Let's see, so far it has helped white middle-class females more than anyone. They, far more than any racial minority, use these unfair laws to ascend into high ranking positions at schools and in the workplace. They don't need it, but they are happy to take it.

As for the racial minorities, Affirmative Action has helped certain blacks and latinos. But since 20 percent of blacks never graduate from high school, relaxed college admission standards don't help them at all. The U.S. census recently revealed that 23 percent of black men in their 20's are either in jail, on probation, or on parole. Nearly 1/4 of black women are unwed mothers. These unfortunates don't benefit from Affirmative Action. The only ones who benefit are the middle-class blacks and latinos. Those people who come from nice, comfortable homes, from smart, educated, goal-oriented families. Do they need help from the government? No, but they will be first in line to take it. Joseph Perkins, one of the most enlightened black newspaper columnists I know, writes that "Affirmative Action is little more than a placebo. It gives advantaged blacks a leg up on comparable whites. But it does nothing to improve the prospects of high school dropouts".

So who suffers because of Affirmative Action? The answer is clear-whites and asians. Certain whites and asians I should say. Let's face it, if your parents went to Ivy League schools then you will probably not end up as a janitor. People with money and connections will not have to sacrifice.

But, if you are white and your dad was a welder and you want to go to Yale, no one will give you a break. In fact, Affirmative Action will potentially cost you the place you rightfully earned. If your parents are Korean, and you want to be a fireman, there is no quota that will help you. You will probably be deprived of a job because of your skin color. In other words, if you are white or asian and from the middle or lower class, Affirmative Action will only hurt you and discriminate against you. It will treat you as though you had it easier than the son of a hispanic millionaire or a black lawyer. You will be deprived the chance to pursue happiness by the illogic, insanity, and reverse-discrimination that Affirmative Action promotes.

Is that what its liberal proponents desired? They say they are helping people that are at a severe disadvantage, but they really are doing nothing. They are doing nothing to help ghetto blacks and hispanics, but they don't really care. Liberals love to assuage their guilt by "helping" some disadvantaged groups- whether or not they need it is unimportant. They actually hurt whites and asians on the basis of race, but the high and mighty liberals don't care. They just want to be sure that the world thinks of them as the benevolent, tolerant, loving, giving, compassionate, great white fathers they pretend to be. They say they want "diversity", but that's garbage. They are still surrounded by their fellow rich, white snobs. They just want to be able to pat themselves on the back after a round of golf or at the bar in the country club and say, "My, aren't we such nice fellows?" That's the true goal of affirmative action, and it worked.

The final victim of this liberal disaster is, of course, America. America suffers when its citizens are denied rights because of the color of their skin. It suffers when its laws are unjust. Destroying a system that rewards based on merit means that everything ends up dumber and worse and shabbier and more incompetent than it has to be. People who deserve jobs don't get them, while people who don't deserve them do. A smarter person is denied a promotion while a dumber one gets it. A motivated student is turned away for university admission, while one who has shown less desire gets in. Can someone please tell me what this does besides annihilating excellence?

As an example, the University of California recently decided to drop affirmative action as a part of its admissions standards. The University calculated that without affirmative action asians would have composed 54.7 percent of the freshman class, but with affirmative action composed only 41.7 percent. Whites, who composed 29.8 percent of the class, would have made up 37 percent without affirmative action. So, obviously there are better qualified individuals getting rejected because of this reverse-discrimination. On the other side of the ledger, hispanics made up 15.3 percent of the class. But without special favors, they would have composed only 6.4 percent of the class. Blacks composed 6.4 percent of the class, but without affirmative action, the class would have been no more than 2 percent black.

What does this tell you? Quite simply that blacks and latinos will never know if it was their brains or their skin color that got them in. To me, that would be the highest of insults. Also, this disparity shows that many whites and even more asians were getting screwed by the University of California, a publicly funded entity. In other words, your taxes are again at work for another washed-up, ineffective, liberal, quick-fix scheme gone bad. Steve Forbes estimates that affirmative action programs, in duplication of services, added bureaucracy, and wasteful spending on contracts with minority owned firms that were not the lowest bidders, has cost this country a whopping $1 trillion.

So, how do we reform this nightmare? I believe the answer is very simple. We look to the National Basketball Association for the most fair and productive plan known. In the NBA, there are no quotas or guidelines or goals or laws regarding race. The owners hire the best players they can afford, and that's that. The NBA is so completely colorblind that no one objects if, for whatever reasons, one race is represented in greater numbers than another. All that matters is how you play the game. That principle is so clearly just that no one would suggest legislating something as immaterial as its racial makeup. To even suggest the idea would be ridiculous. And guess what? Basketball is better today than it has ever been (one of the few aspects of American life about which you can say such a thing). Players are bigger, stronger, faster, and they can jump higher and shoot more accurately. They provide a greater spectacle than ever before in the history of the sport. Could we have said the same thing if membership were decided by anything but talent?

For some reason, it is o.k. for the entire New York Knicks starting five to be black. If it were white it would be anything but o.k. But where is Jesse Jackson now? Why doesn't he give one of his soul-stirring speeches on equal representation in the NBA for whites, asians, and hispanics? Why isn't Charlie Rangel demanding a Congressional investigation into the matter? Will the Lakers someday have a 5'6" Chinese center? My point is that we should always take the best players for the team, whether it's sports, medicine, law, fire fighting, academia or anything else. Enough of this affirmative action nonsense. Make the standards the same for everyone and the best people will achieve.

Columnist Dedicates Article to Campus Safety

The World According to Me
by Josh Northridge

I would like to devote this article to the men and women who proudly serve their college community by being the officers of Campus Safety. Housed in the corner of Prosser is the network that serves to keep this school safe and healthy. Whenever I see horrible crimes committed on campus, I know that they will be there within minutes.

Why just the other day I was walking by Prosser Hall and I saw a student prop open the door with a garbage can. Imagine! The purpose of the Simplex card is to keep bad people (killers, thiefs, Jehovah's Witnesses) out of the building. In thirty seconds I saw a Campus Safety officer sprinting towards his police car. With sirens screaming and lights flashing he floored it, and it only took two seconds to go three hundred feet to get to the side of Prosser where the door was propped. He got out of the car and quietly shut the door. With a look of satisfaction on his face, he quietly got in his car and drove home.

Then one day a call came out over the wire, "There is a boy in Benfer. He's in his closet, he's got the lights off, he's being silent, it's quiet, and... he's drinking half of a beer AND HE'S NOT 21 YET. LET'S MOVE, PEOPLE. GO! GO! GO!" The doors flew open and down they went to Benfer. It was 4:32 in the afternoon when the tear gas finally forced the young boy to surrender. Unlike Ellen Degeneres, this poor kid was forced to come out of the closet.

So the days pass, along with the months and years, and through it all, Campus Safety makes it their responsibility to keep the students alive. I'm reminded of the time my father drove on that one way road that runs in front of the college that goes by Seeger's. Well, my dad didn't see the Do Not Enter signs and went on that road in the wrong direction. No one else was on that road, and we thought we got away with it once we realized we were going the wrong way. Not quite. We got to the end of the road and there was a Campus Safety SWAT Team. With their guns drawn, they screamed, "Get out of the car now!" My father was too shocked to open the door, and after 10 seconds one of them yelled "HIT IT BOYS!" They filled our station wagon full of lead that night, but you'd better believe that my father has never driven on that road the wrong direction again. So thank you, Campus Safety, for making the dangerous west Allentown Muhlenberg Campus a little bit safer.

A Common Strife
by Mark A. Koup

Due to popular demand this week, *A Common Strife* will feature the **Top ten things to do while waiting for your food to be ready at *The Red Door Cafe:***

10. Have dinner and breakfast at G.Q.
9. Make up cut gym classes.
8. Translate the *Mahabarata.*
7. Watch three episodes of *The Price is Right.*
6. Try to navigate the maze in the East quad.
5. Read *War and Peace.*
4. Watch the squirrels prepare for hibernation.
3. Register for classes.
2. Synthesize a random compound from benzene.
1. Calculate the energy cost of keeping Prosser Hall so hot all year 'round.

Letters to the Editor

Editors Disclose Policy on Campus Safety Notes

To the Muhlenberg Community:

We would like to clear up any concerns about the policy on Campus Safety Notes entries. Campus Safety, in accordance with the Students Right to Know Act, records in its daily log the names and addresses of persons arrested by state, local and county police. It is this daily log that is subsequently published as the Campus Safety Notes in *The Muhlenberg Weekly*.

At the beginning of the 1994-95 academic year, Ken Lupole informed *The Weekly* that, according to the Cleary amendment to the Right to Know Act, such names were now available for publication in the Notes. This year, *The Weekly* has printed about five names of individuals criminally arrested and reported in the daily log and will continue to operate under this policy. It is not the responsibility of *The Weekly* and its staff to "second guess" the contents of the daily log, as reported to the paper by the Director of Campus Safety, and the staff will continue to publish all information contained within this report.

Therefore, all students should be aware that if they are arrested by state, local and county police, their name can and will be included in the Campus Safety Notes of the newspaper.

Sincerely,

Jay Faigenbaum, Editor-in-Chief
Larry Carney, Managing Editor

Student Vents Frustration Over Constant Fire Alarms and Lack of Action to Eliminate Them

Is anyone else out there sick and tired of getting out of bed at 3:00 A.M. to the clanking sound of a fire alarm? It may be just me, but I have been wondering what our Muhlenberg College Campus Safety has been doing about this. I have yet to hear of anyone getting caught for pulling one of the fire alarms. If the fire alarm cannot protect against false pulls, then perhaps our ever so vigilant Campus Safety Department should increase its security measures around campus with cameras.

With proper precautions taken by our own Ken Lupole and Muhlenberg College Campus Safety (who seem to have a tad bit too much time on their hands) this troubling annoyance can be stopped.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marc Lippman
Class of 1999

An Outside Perspective
by Mark A. Koup
Opinion Editor

One of the more captivating news stories this year was a shoot out between the Los Angeles Police and some alleged suspects that were caught on tape. The police had to protect themselves from a virtual ambush by these "suspects". In self defense, the officers fired back at the men who were shooting at them, and the result was death.

The family of one of the suspects who was killed has filed a law suit against the Los Angeles Police department. In their suit, the family claims that the officers did not sufficiently care for the shot suspect once he was wounded by police gunfire. The family claims that the police should have run to the suspect and attempted to administer CPR.

I thought it was a joke at first. The ofiicer should have run through gunfire aimed at them, rescued the body of one of the men who was shooting at them, crossed back through the gunfire, and then should have attempted to resuscitate the man. I don't know if I was more amazed by the family having the audacity to file a lawsuit, or the legality of such a suit. I hope somewhere along the line, the "suit" is thrown out by a member of the justice system.

I think that a criminal's rights should no longer apply to him once he opens fire on police officers. If the absurd law suit is upheld and compensation is awarded, the message will be clear. Police now not only have to risk their lives protecting law abiding citizens, they must also risk their lives in order to save a person who is trying to kill them. Something about this doesn't fit.

Does our society want a police force that has to consider the rights of felons and suspected felons without regard for their own safety? The result of such a police force would be unthinkable. I hope the police in Los Angeles countersue for damages that occurred as a result of this shootout. That would send a message to absurd families who consider law suits such as ones like these.

STAN THE MULE
by Subbio
MAN, THIS IS RIDICULOUS! I'M A SOPHOMORE, GET SECOND PICK, AND STILL CAN'T GET INTO CLASSES THAT I NEED FOR MY MAJOR! WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO NOW?
YEAH, TELL ME ABOUT IT! YOU'D THINK THEY'D REALIZE TO MAKE MORE SECTIONS OF THE REALLY POPULAR CLASSES THAT STUDENTS WANT OR NEED AND LESS OF THOSE THAT ARE LEFTOVERS.
AN OUTRAGE!
I MEAN I CAN ONLY IMAGINE WHAT CLASSES THE FRESHMEN ARE GONNA GET STUCK WITH...
"PHILOSOPHY OF THE NORWEGIAN THINKER"...
"SWISS FINGERPAINTING"...
"INTERMEDIATE YODELING"...
"INTRO TO SEWING"...
"THE ROLE OF SHOES IN SOCIETY"
"ADVANCED MACARENA"
"FELINES IN EUROPEAN LITERATURE."

Profile of a Mule: Elizabeth Patterson

A weekly series highlighting prominent Muhlenberg athletes

by Steve Faella
***Weekly* columnist**

With all of our spring sports teams competing deep into their conference schedules, it is clear to see how their seasons will go.

Perhaps the biggest surprise of the spring has been the high level of success the lacrosse team has shown. They are currently 4-3 overall and 3-2 in the conference.

Four wins equals their total from all of last season, and they have already eclipsed last year's total of two conference wins.

Obviously there are many characteristics that have led to this turnaround. One major item has been the play of co-Captain, Elizabeth Patterson.

This senior attacker has led this team, sometimes single-handedly to a third place record in the Centennial Conference.

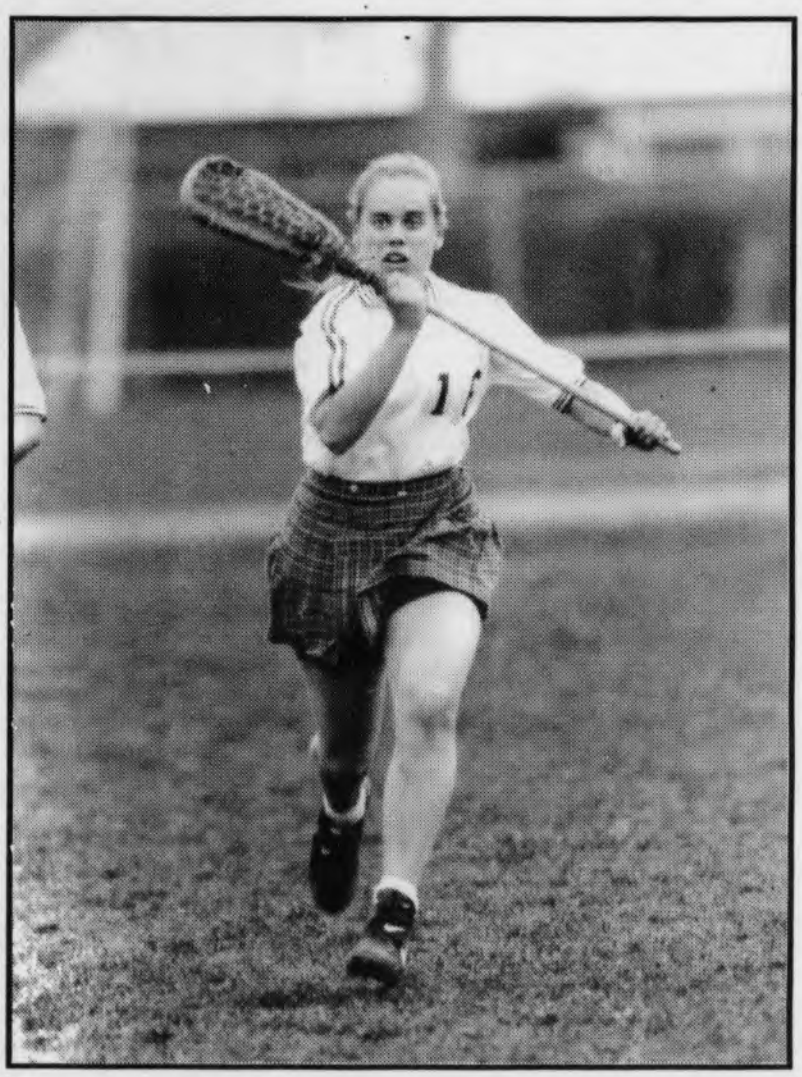
Elizabeth resides in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where she attended Shadyside Academy.

At the conclusion of her four years, she was faced with the hard decision of which institution to attend.

Fortunately, Muhlenberg offered a strong academic background, as well as a chance to play on the team.

She chose Muhlenberg, and we are very lucky to have her here.

Elizabeth has had a great career here at Muhlenberg. In her four years here, she has blasted 53 career goals.



This total places her eighth on the all-time list here. She has also helped out on 13 other goals giving her a career total of 66 points.

This places her at seventh on the all-time list here. These are impressive numbers, but even more impressive is the fact that she still has two weeks to add on to these totals.

As her career entered the final face-off, Elizabeth has taken this team under her wing, and turned them into winners.

Lacrosse has been a sport that has usually been less than successful here. Not anymore! Elizabeth has taken a highly talented team onto the field each week, where she has starred herself.

She currently has 18 goals; which is second on the team. She has accumulated 4 assists giving her a team leading 22 points.

The highlight this year, was the seven goals Elizabeth ripped past the Widener defense. This amazing feat was one shy of the school record. Congrats!

Do not let the year end without getting out to watch the Lady Mules in action and definitely make sure to see Elizabeth lead the team to many more victories.

National Sports Update

Tiger Woods won his first major tournament last weekend, The Masters, in Augusta, GA. Woods won with an incredible 18 under par, leading the entire field by 12 shots for a Masters record. The 18 under par was also a Masters record, breaking the old record held by Jack Nicklaus and Ray Floyd.

NHL playoffs begin tonight. The New Jersey Devils and the Colorado Avalanche are the top seeds in the two divisions. The Philadelphia Flyers and Pittsburgh Penguins face off in an inter-state first round matchup.

President Clinton attended the Shea Stadium celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Jackie Robinson breaking the color barrier by becoming the first black player in Major League Baseball. New York Mayor Rudolf Gulianni suggested that Shea be renamed Jackie Robinson Stadium. As of now, a stretch of highway outside of the park is named after the baseball ledgend.

The National Football League draft will be held on Saturday. The New York Jets have the first overall pick. With Tennessee quarterback Payton Manning opting to return for his senior year in college, there is no real front runner for the top pick.

On Deck at the 'Berg

Baseball:
Fri. 4/18 @ Swarthmore
Sat. 4/19 @ Franklin & Marshall
Tue. 4/22 home vs. Swarthmore @ 3:30
Wed. 4/23 @ Moravian

Softball:
Sat. 4/19 home vs. Gettysburg @ 1:00
Mon. 4/21 @ Allentown
Wed. 4/23 home vs. New Jersey @ 2:30

Men's Tennis:
Thur. 4/17 @ Moravian
Sat. 4/19 home vs. Johns Hopkins @ 12:00
Mon. 4/21 home vs. Allentown @ 3:30
Wed. 4/23 home vs. Ursinus @ 3:30

Women's Tennis:
Sat. 4/19 home vs. Johns Hopkins @ 3:00
Wed. 4/23 @ Ursinus

Lacrosse:
Thur. 4/17 @ Susquehanna
Sat. 4/19 @ Gettysburg
Tue. 4/22 home vs. Drew @ 4:00

Golf:
Thur. 4/17 @ Albright

Baseball team beats Delaware Valley

Freshman Chuck Draper leads Mules with two home runs

by Tracy McGee
***Weekly* sports writer**

The Muhlenberg College baseball team had a busy week, and a tough one at that, as they lowered their Centennial Conference record to 2-8, with a 6-17 overall record. They played four away games, including a double-header at Washington (MD) on Sunday.

The Mules squared off against Delaware Valley on Wednesday and posted an impressive 9-8 victory. Freshman Chuck Draper had a spectacular game, going five for five at the plate with five RBI's, including a two run homer to give the Mules a 6-5 lead in the seventh inning.

But Draper didn't stop there, as he whacked another home run in the eighth to increase the Mules' lead to 9-6. Draper also became the first player in ten years to have five hits in one game.

Junior Steve Faella also contributed by going four for five with four runs scored. Sophomore Dutch Weaver picked up his first career win in his first start of the season. Freshman Chris Owen notched his first career save by securing the win.

The Mules next traveled to face conference rival Dickinson on Friday. The team showed a lot of effort as they came from behind in the eighth inning to tie the score at twelve when freshman Danny Wolf cracked a double.

The hitting continued as co-captain Tim Mantz drove in pinch runner Mike Wu with a sacrifice fly to get the go ahead run. Faella came through again with his sixth home run of the season to lead off the ninth inning, putting the Mules up 14-12.

Altogether the Mules had seventeen hits as Draper went four for six with five RBI's for the second straight game. Chris Moraitis had three hits and two RBI's and Dave Sass added two hits and two RBI's.

All this and the Mules couldn't hold the lead, giving up three runs is the bottom of the ninth, and allowing Dickinson to take the game by a score of 15-14.

After inclement weather canceled the game on Saturday, Muhlenberg traveled to Washington (MD) on Sunday to battle the Shoremen in a double header.

The Mules only mustered three hits in the opener, two by Dave Sass. Junior Jason Jack pitched a strong game, only allowing five hits and one earned run in six innings of work, but it wasn't enough as the Mules dropped the first game 3-0.

In the nightcap, the Mules took an early lead aided by Chuck Draper's two RBI hits and a solo homer by Darren Weaver to make the score 3-1. But the Shoremen rallied back in the fifth inning and never looked back, handing the Mules an 8-3 loss.

The Mules next game is on Friday when they travel to conference rival Swarthmore.

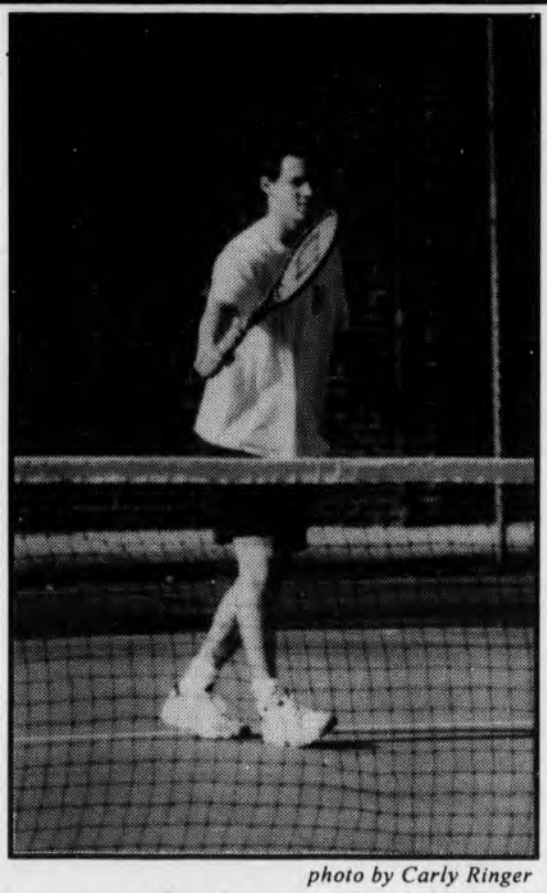


photo by Carly Ringer

Number one singles player Jon Mandelbaum prepares for a recent match. The men's tennis team went 2-1 this week, defeating Albright and Marywood. Number four singles player Joe Fenn won a third set tie breaker against Albright to give the Mules the victory and Fenn his first career win. Sophomore Jared Shafer has won five straight singles matches, including the first win ever by a Muhlenberg player against Washington College.

Women's tennis team beats Washington College

Mules fight for a 5-4 win, then lose to Bryn Mawr College 6-3

by Scott Burke
***Weekly* sports writer**

Once upon a time, the Centennial Conference did not exist. In those days, Muhlenberg College belonged to the Northern league of the Middle Atlantic Conference, a union of Division Three schools in the Middle Atlantic States. Those were championship years for the Muhlenberg Women's Tennis team, year after year overcoming league rival Ursinus to claim the division crown.

Ever since that select group of Division Three Schools decided to unite in the Centennial Conference, Muhlenberg has found an even more challenging tennis season or even greater geographical diversity.

Yet, after just finishing another week traveling in the difficult Centennial Conference Muhlenberg has performed well again.

"I'm happy with the progress we're making," said Head Coach Linda Andrews. "Especially with our doubles play, we keep getting better all the time. I'm happy with the way all our players are performing, everyone is showing definite improvement."

Coach Andrews is right; at the end of the week the team showed decided improvement; more skillful shot selection and greater mental toughness than previously exhibited.

The week concluded in a thriller at Washington on Saturday, April 12th. The Mules dropped their first two singles matches, and when senior and co-captain Mel Moore dropped her first set 6-3, things looked ominous. But Moore came back strong, to vanquish the number three player from Washington 6-1, 6-0.

Yet things started to go down hill again when freshman Marny Baxt lost her next match, and when freshman Julia Beyer lost the first game of hers, it appeared that this might not be one of the best days in Muhlenberg College Women's tennis history.

However, Beyer dug in, winning the second game 7-5, and showing great resilience and commitment, went on to win 6-4. The sixth singles match was won by senior Kris Deiter on a Washington forfeit.

In doubles action, Washington claimed the first, but the duo of Moore and Dieter won a comfortable 8-4. victory, and Baxt and Beyer won again, this time by a Washington forfeit. The final score was another Mule victory, by a score of 5-4.

Dieter performed well all week. Since entering the singles lineup on the Monday match against Western Maryland, she is undefeated with three victories. In that Monday match against a very skilled, very professional Western Maryland team, Dieter's victory was the sole Mule point, although Beyer did take her opponent to a bitterly fought third game, and the Baxt-Beyer doubles pair only lost by a close 8-6 score.

Muhlenberg made some serious improvements when they went south to face Bryn Mawr College on Wednesday, May 9th. It started off well, with junior Julia Hensley easily winning 6-2, 6-1, and freshman Kris Cahayla notching another victory 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.

Yet, the next three matches were a triad of extremely close matches, two going all the way to a decisive third set. The last singles match was a Dieter victory 6-3, 6-7 (7-4), 6-4. However, after Bryn Mawr edged Hensley and Cahayla 8-7 (7-3) for the first doubles match, the Quakers claimed the remaining two, in an irregular spot of Muhlenberg non-dominance of doubles play. The Quakers claimed the win 6-3.

On Saturday, the 19th of April, both the men and women play their final home games against Johns Hopkins . The men begin at one p.m., the women start at three.

Interested in writing sports for *The Weekly*? Many positions are now available for next semester. This is a great way to support your school and its athletic teams. Contact *The Weekly* anytime at x4387. Leave a message and we'll get back to you.

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Students To Be Featured On Good Morning America In Sesquicentennial Celebration

photo by Carly Ringer

A group of Muhlenberg students posed with President and Mrs. Taylor for a shot to be broadcast on Good Morning America as part of our sesquicentennial celebration. There are many events being planned for Muhlenberg's 150th birthday which will take place next year. The celebration will begin in September and will continue through May 1998. Events such as speakers, lectures, arts performances, and a Gala Dinner Dance have already been planned. In addition, special sesquicentennial flags will decorate the campus. Also, Muhlenberg will be featured on our local cable company through "Muhlenberg Minutes," which will feature 60 second highlights of the College's history. A full calendar of events is currently being developed and will soon be available. The sesquicentennial celebration is being planned by Randi Senderowitz who can be contacted at x3230.

East Fest and Benfer Bash to Feature a Variety of Games and Bands

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

This weekend, two of Muhlenberg's favorite traditions will take place. Friday will bring East Fest, an annual celebration held in the quad between East and ML. Saturday marks the return of Benfer Bash after trouble in previous years. These events are co-sponsored by Housing and MAC.

East Fest will be a six hour celebration which will have many differences from last year. This year, *Moonhead* will play in the quad from 5:30 - 8:00. Other entertainment will include games such as an Orbitron and a Rock Climbing Wall. Also, a dunk tank will be brought in and many familiar faces from Muhlenberg will sit in it. These people include campus safety officer Tom Dougherty, Melissa Houck, Christopher Hooker-Haring, Ken Lupole, Rudy Ehrenberg, Dick Begbie, Jay Whiteman, and others.

Dinner that evening will be served in East Quad from 4:30-6:30 and the Garden Room will be closed for the evening. If it should rain, the event will be moved into the Life Sports Center and all activities will take place as scheduled. This event is BYOB so those at least 21 years old should remember to bring ID.

Martin Luther Head Resident Jay Whiteman said, "I am most excited about the variety of events that will be at East Fest. In the past, East Fest has pretty much been a band, some snack food, and a tiny game or two. This year, with the help of MAC and Becky Grace of Student Activities, East Fest will be a grand scale event with lots to do for everyone."

Benfer Bash, which will begin at 2:00 on Saturday afternoon, will also feature a multitude of games and activities. A Bungee Run will be present which is a device one can be hooked up to run, and it then snaps you back. The game Laser Tag will also be brought in. In this game, each person wears a vest and is given a laser gun. The object is to shoot the vests of people on the other team to score the most points.

Benfer Bash will feature the popular band *Fuel* which has played at Muhlenberg twice already: once at Senior Week last year and at the end of the year bash in December.

According to their bio, "*Fuel* is one of the top regional bands headed for destiny. They play major clubs in college venues on the East Coast. Their repertoire of music pleases the audience in a high quality way."

This event will be held at Benfer, rain or shine and is also BYOB. Dinner will be served at Benfer from 4:30-6:30 and again the Garden Room will be closed.

Music chair for MAC Stefan Miller commented, "East Fest and Benfer Bash are two very different types of events. Whereas East Fest is more laid back, Benfer Bash is just one constant rush. *Moonhead* is a blues-rock group that sounds very similar to Rusted Root. *Fuel*, as many of you know, is a cover band that plays many top 40 favorites. I think the bands are pretty cool. I hope you do, too."

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News Digest

courtesy of USA Today
compiled by Lauren Casa
News Editor

President Clinton arrived in North Dakota, Tuesday to survey a city devastated by fire and flood. About 45,000 of the city's 50,000 residents have been chased from their homes by the chilly, brown waters of the swollen Red River. Water also covers nearly all of neighboring East Grand Forks, Minnesota.

Women's college athletic programs won a high-stakes battle over sex discrimination at Brown University that ended at the Supreme Court Monday. The court let stand a closely watched lower court ruling that found Brown, in Rhode Island, discriminated against women in its varsity sports offerings.

More than 900,000 foreigners became legal U.S. immigrants in 1996, jumping 27% over 1995 and sparking a debate about the rapid rate of immigration. The Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), in preliminary numbers will estimate about 914,000 people were granted legal permanent resident status during 1996, up considerably from 1995.

A 12-person jury and six alternates are tentatively scheduled to be picked in Denver for the Oklahoma City bombing trial of Timothy McVeigh. A total of 99 candidates have been queried since March 31. If convicted, McVeigh faces the death penalty on murder and conspiracy charges in the April 19, 1995 bombing that killed 168 people.

A Florida judge ruled that the state's electric chair is not cruel and unusual punishment, clearing the way for its use four weeks after a bolt of flame and smoke shot from the mask of convicted killer Pedro Medina during his execution. The next execution is scheduled for April 29.

A former Heaven's Gate member says the cult instructed him to take over its Web page design business, a claim that could tangle distribution of the cult's estate to surviving family members. Investigators say cult members paid all outstanding debts prior to their deaths and left behind meticulously detailed financial records indicating that all of their possessions were collectively owned.

Telephoned bomb threats turned the capital into a giant parking lot on Monday as the Irish Republican Army continued its campaign to disrupt Britain's May 1 elections. Planes, trains and automobiles ground to a halt after coded bomb threats caused mass evacuations at four airports and four train stations that ring the city.

Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein ordered his helicopters into the U.S.-patrolled no-fly zone in southern Iraq to help bring home weary Iraqi pilgrims from Mecca. Oil prices rose because of worries about possible disruptions in oil supplies if the United States retaliated. Western forces patrol the skies over southern Iraq to protect people there from Iraqi reprisals.

U.S. and South Korean officials failed to persuade North Korea to join peace talks.

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Campus Safety Notes

Graphic Graffiti Plagues East Hall

4/15/97 - Sick Student - Brown - from medication
4/15/97 - Fire Alarm - Seegers' Union - replaced a pull box that was dirty
4/16/97 - Commons - outside organization; letter of trespass issued
4/16/97 - Vandalism - Hillside - door pulled off of front of building
4/17/97 - Harassment by Communication - East - individual posing as person's boyfriend
4/17/97 - Fire Alarm - Benfer - individuals in room were having a baby powder fight; fines issued
4/17/97 - Theft - Seegers' Union - wall clock stolen out of Garden Room
4/18/97 - Theft - Prosser - keys stolen
4/18/97 - Sick Student - New West - neck pain
4/18/97 - Alcohol Violation - Prosser - four individuals referred to judicial
4/18/97 - Fire Alarm/Fire - Prosser - blanket burning caused by candles; referred to judicial
4/18/97 - Fire Safety Violation - Prosser - smoke detectors covered
4/18/97 - Information - Seegers' Front Drive - man with transformer gun drove down Chew from Union waving gun as if it were real
4/19/97 - Vandalism - East G Hall - drawing of penis on individual's wall as well as graffiti on bathroom wall concerning penises
4/19/97 - Vandalism to Vehicle - HQ - vehicle was keyed in ML lot
4/19/97 - Injured Student - 26th and Chew - visitor tripped on sidewalk
4/19/97 - CA - Chew and Bernheim - Media Service employee hit with microphone stand
4/19/97 - Noise Complaint - 2134 Gordon - citation issued; Monica Trinkl, Sage Rega
4/20/97 - Noise Violation - 1946 Chew - three individuals cited; Jeff Moses, Eric Bohm, Scott Lippman-all residents
4/20/97 - Theft - TKE - cash and CD from individual's room
4/20/97 - Lost Keys - Walz
4/20/97 - Fire Alarm - Benfer - steam from shower
4/21/97 - Fire Safety Violation - CA - blocking fire exit
4/21/97 - Fire Alarm - Millerheim - steam from shower

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Student Leaders of the Week

Andrea Liberatoscioli

photo courtesy of Andrea Liberatoscioli

Andrea Liberatoscioli was named the last Student Leader of the Week for the 1996-1997 school year. She has been a class officer for four years and an integral part of planning events for the class of 1997's senior year.

by Lauren Casa
News Editor

In her last four years, Andrea Liberatoscioli has proven to be an outstanding Muhlenberg student and leader. Andrea is a double major in psychology and Business Administration with a concentration in Marketing. She is a Dana Scholar and will be graduating Summa Cum Laude in May.

Among the many societies into which she has been inducted are Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa, the National Leadership Honor Society, and Who's Who Among American College Students. Andrea was also the recipient of the Distinguished Sales and Marketing Award from the Sales and Marketing Executives of the Lehigh Valley.

Andrea has been the Secretary of the Class of 1997 since 1993 and says of her fellow class council members, "We build on each other's strengths and work well together."

She has served her sisters of Delta Zeta as Recording Secretary, Assistant President and Lamp Editor and has been a visible contributor to sorority events in community service and philanthropy.

Other students have benefited from Andrea's contributions, as well. She was a Student Advisor, Peer Leadership Consultant and the Head of Advertising of the Scotty Wood Basketball Tournament.

Andrea has held the position of Career Assistant in the Office of Career Development and was selected to be a tutor in the Writing Center.

Off campus, Andrea has worked in advanced marketing internships at the Musselman Advertising Agency, IKEA Marketing Outpost and Strawbridge and Clothier Department Stores.

One of the most prestigious awards Andrea has received was from the Direct Marketing Collegiate Educational Foundation. She was chosen along with only 31 other students nationwide to receive a scholarship to participate in the Institution's program, working with industry professionals to learn marketing techniques.

After graduation, Andrea hopes to work in Philadelphia or New York City in Marketing or Advertising and eventually work toward her M.B.A.

"I am more of a behind the scenes player," says Andrea. "It is nice to be recognized, but it is most important to show other people that you can make a difference. There are a lot of students who have made a positive contribution to the Muhlenberg Campus."

Congratulations and good luck to Andrea.

John Dowgin

photo by Brian Nardini

John Dowgin, who was selected as Student Leader of the Week last week, has been active in many groups at Muhlenberg ranging from the Muhlenberg Theatre Association to Sigma Phi Epsilon. He is also a distinguished scholar and member of Phi Beta Kappa.

by Lauren Casa
News Editor

John Dowgin is a dedicated member of the Muhlenberg Community. He has contributed to the campus consistently over the last four years. A double major in Theatre and Communications, John hopes to graduate Summa Cum Laude in May.

He was Vice President of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity last year and played for the Ice Hockey Club.

John was also nominated as the Sigma Phi Epsilon candidate for Outstanding Greek by the members of his house.

John is a member of the Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Honor Society and Phi Beta Kappa.

At the Honors Convocation this past Sunday, he received the Kathryn Taylor Award for Excellence in Communication and the Dorothy and Dexter Baker Award in Performing Arts.

John is very involved and active in the Muhlenberg Theatre Association. This past year, he served as President of the organization. He has performed in 15 Black Box shows and musicals and directed a Black Box production last semester.

John remarked that he is, "extremely proud of MTA this year" and the success of it "would not have happened without the right kind of people on the board."

This past summer, John worked as a Communication Intern at Dun and Bradstrate, a communication firm, where he constructed a web site focusing on information pertaining to the company's business for the use of office employees.

John feels that being chosen Student Leader of the Week "is a great honor."

Senior Jeff Essig, former president of Sigma Phi Epsilon, had words of praise and admiration for fellow brother, John.

He remarked that "John was a dedicated vice-president during his term and did an amazing job juggling the responsibilities of the vice-president and those of the president of MTA. He was a really great asset to Sig Ep."

Junior Brett Coplin also had kind words to say about John. "He has shown his leadership in various capacities but especially in his participation in fraternity events. He is a model brother and leader."

After graduation, John hopes to attend Rutgers University for graduate school in Theatre Arts.

Congratulations are extended to John for all of his successes while at Muhlenberg and many thanks for being such a devoted leader to the campus. Good luck in your future career.

Admissions Sets Goal of 500 For Class of 2001

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

photo by Alea Eggers

Dean of Admissions Christopher Hooker-Haring is pleased with the admissions process this year. He is eagerly awaiting the May 1 deadline by which students must send a school a deposit.

As of Monday, the Admissions office had been besieged by 2,953 applications, which breaks last year's record of 2,929.

This year, 226 students applied early decision and of those 175 were accepted. This represents the fifth year in a row that the number of early decision applicants has broken the previous year's record. Since the target size for the class of 2001 is 500, that represents roughly 35% of the class. Of these students, the average SAT score was 1175 which was 16 points higher than last year's average. However, only 86% of the students submitted SAT scores this year. The other 14% submitted a graded paper and had a mandatory interview. Once again this year, roughly 35% percent of the students admitted are ranked in the top 10% of their high school classes. Dean Hooker-Haring feels that the high school record is the best indication of how a student will perform in college.

He said, "The high school record is the single best indication of how a student will perform on the college campus."

Admissions has already received 88 additional deposits from regular decision students. Dean Hooker-Haring says this is normal because the bulk of the deposits are received right around the May 1 deadline.

He said, "It seems that students are thinking longer and longer before making the decision."

This year, the target size for the incoming class is 500, which is considerably lower than the 532 students who enrolled last year. To help bring down the number of students enrolling, eighty fewer applicants were admitted.

When asked is the college was afraid of coming in below target, Dean Hooker-Haring commented, "There is always a concern about coming in below target. However, we don't want to promote additional overcrowding on campus."

He feels that the numbers will work out correctly though. He said, "So far, the numbers are playing out in a way that on May 1 we will be right around the 500 student target for the class."

Despite the fact that the incoming class is larger than the outgoing class, Dean Hooker-Haring believes the overall size of the campus will not grow for several reasons. There is a larger number of students going abroad, studying in Washington D.C., and taking leaves of absence next year than this year. Therefore, that will free up space on campus.

Last year, the actual acceptance rate wound up being 67% and the number is expected to be similar this year. Dean Hooker-Haring commented that Muhlenberg is an extremely selective school. To put it in perspective, he said that only 100 out of 3200 colleges have acceptance rates lower than 50%. Therefore, an acceptance rate in the 60% range is extremely good.

According to the Dean, there are many reasons why more students are choosing Muhlenberg. They include: a sense of welcomeness, a good academic reputation, and Muhlenberg's reputation for placement after graduation. Dean Hooker-Haring said most students are very impressed with their visits to the Muhlenberg campus.

For the fifth year in a row, Franklin and Marshall was the top overlap school. The others, in order of number of overlaps were: Lafayette, Lehigh, Gettysburg, Bucknell, Ursinus, and Dickinson.

For the third straight year in a row, the discount rate is expected to be 28.5% for the incoming class. This figure means that 28.5% of tuition is applied to financial aid. As of now, the discount rate for the class of 2001 is 25.5%, but Dean Hooker-Haring warned that the number would increase as the date approaches May 1, since those who need more financial aid tend to choose a school later.

He said, "Those who have the greatest financial need usually wait longer."

Dean Hooker-Haring also commented on the new trend in education to attempt to negotiate tuition prices. Recently, many major magazines have run stories urging parents to call schools and attempt to negotiate for a lower tuition. He feels the situation will most likely get worse and more people will ask for cheaper tuitions.

However, he feels many people will still choose Muhlenberg because it "is a good educational investment."

Dean Hooker-Haring is proud of the way the College has worked towards choosing the class of 2001.

Student Council Sets Goals for the Upcoming Year

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

Last Thursday, the 1997-1998 student council held its first meeting in the Haas conference room. The first part of the meeting was devoted to forming ideas for the upcoming year. Some of the ideas proposed were: increased public relations (including reviving the council corner in *The Weekly*), taking another look at how credit is assigned to courses which meet more than three hours per week, and making changes in the finance manual.

Next, elections for the executive committee of student council were held. Chris McClary was successful in defeating Ayla Tezel for the position of vice-president. Tezel then won the position of corresponding secretary over Aaron Dorfman and Carly Ringer. Lauren Ravit and Lisa Ansorge ran unopposed for treasurer and recording secretary, respectively. These students, along with David Silber will comprise the 1997-1998 student council executive committee.

Then, Mark Urban reported on the upcoming events for the Class of 1998. The class co-sponsored the interactive play "Strange Like Me" with the Office of Multicultural Life. The class is kicking off its fundraising campaign with a raffle which features five different prizes. Also, they are running tables where seniors can vote for their senior speaker.

Newly elected treasurer Lauren Ravit had some new business dealing with the art club. Recently, some trouble has surfaced concerning the finances of the art club. Art Club President Christine Park, who is chairing the upcoming fashion show, went almost two thousand dollars over budget. She did not obtain prior approval from either the finance committee or student council to spend the money. Therefore, Park asked permission to charge a $1 admission to the fashion show in order to make up for some of the money. The student council voted unanimously not to allow her to charge admission. The general feeling of the council was that since the money for the show came from the general fund, which is made up entirely of money paid by students, the student body should not have to pay twice for the event.

Ravit is also planning on making amendments to the finance manual. Therefore, anyone who feels they know of a necessary change should contact her at x4331. In addition, all clubs should be aware that early allocations for the fall semester will be held on Tuedsay, April 29 and all clubs which will be requesting more than $10,000 must sign up in advance at the Union Desk.

Ravit also announced that more success will come from Council if they submit a budget like every other organization. This matter will be discussed at tonight's meeting.

Applications for students interested in being on Faculty College Committees are currently available in the Union near the mailboxes. These applications are due by April 25 at 5 pm. Everyone is eligible to apply and any questions should be directed to Chris McClary at x4054.

President David Silber is also encouraging all students to consider joining a student council commitee. These committees are: academics, athletics, council operations, campus awareness, communications, and finance. If you are interested in learning more about these committees and their goals, contact Ayla Tezel at x4166.

This week, student council will be discussing the constitution of the Ribbon Project (an AIDS awareness group) and Expressions (a new literary magazine).

Student Council is supporting the Bread and Puppet Theater on Sunday, April 27 at 2 pm on the field hockey field. Also, all students are encouraged to participate in Jefferson Field Day on May 1.

Any student who wishes to email council may do so at council@muhlberg.edu.

Faculty Holds Final Meeting of the Year

Changes to the History Department are Approved

by Jay Faigenbaum
Editor-in-Chief

On Monday, the faculty held its final meeting of the year. This meeting featured a discussion of the proposed changes in the History Department, a resolution concerning outside consultants, and a vote on the student council pre-registration survey for faculty members.

Before beginning committee reports, Dean Dretsch opened the meeting by making several announcements. Anna Adams will be on sabbatical for the next academic year and Mary Lawlor will be on sabbatical for the Fall semester. It was also announced that Edward Baldridge and Jay Hartman will be retiring at the end of this academic year. Two professors, Jim Bloom and Sue Curry Jansen were promoted to full professors from associate professors. Another four professors were granted tenure this year.

The next matter on the agenda dealt with the student council surveys. Last year, student council asked permission to allow students to use class time to fill out surveys about their courses. The faculty raised several concerns and referred it back to committee. This year, the survey was changed so the professor would perform an evaluation of the course which would be available for all students to see. The survey includes questions which will let the student know if the class features lectures, discussions, labs, computer skills, or multimedia technology. It will also let students know which major skills are emphasized in the course such as writing skills, research skills, or postgraduate test skills. The faculty unanimously approved the survey and they will be completed for the Fall.

The most extensive debate of the meeting was over the proposed restructuring of the History Department's major program. The change would be a complete overhaul with the elimination of twelve courses and the creation of eighteen new courses. The four survey courses which focus on Western Civilization and American History, would be dropped in favor of a Topics in History course. The Topics course would be setup like the freshman seminar in that each would focus on a different aspect of history. It would be up to the department to approve each specific topics course. It was noted that the topics course is suitable for first-year students wishing to fulfill the H perspective and the courses in the 300 range are more appropriate for advanced students.

The first concern raised was about students wishing to be history majors and proceed through the education program. Dr. Carbone said that for elementary education students, only one course in American History was needed. There would still be enough courses to fulfill this requirement. He added it would not affect the certification process. He did, however, question whether or not it would produce students who were even less knowledgeable about their own history.

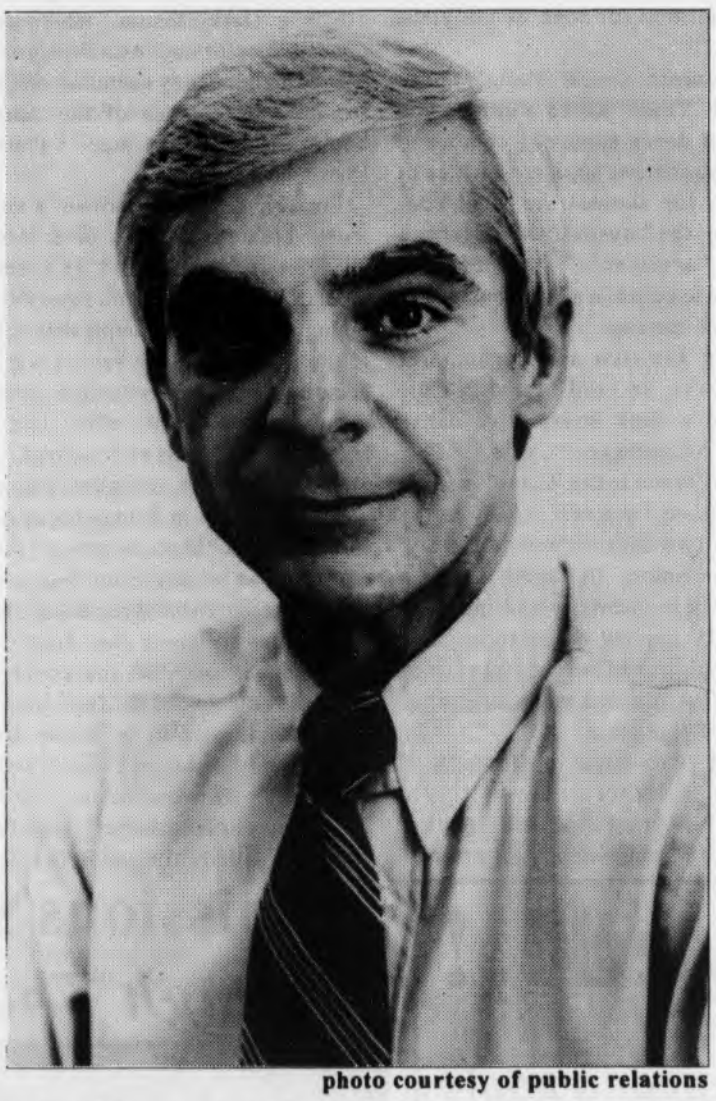
Next Dr. Kish-Goodling raised the point that each topics course was technically a different course and asked if each one would need faculty approval. It was then noted by Dr. Marshall that this proposal gives the history department a greater say in what the actual courses taught will be, not the whole faculty. Dr. Marshall also raised the point that with the elimination of American History, it could affect other departments which make references to it in other material.

Dr. Oplinger spoke in favor of the change stating that the Concepts of Biology class was similar because each professor taught it from his/her own specialty and each course was taught somewhat differently.

Dr. Bloom also spoke in favor of the change stating that the current system does not work. He claimed students were not currently well-educated in history and the change could possible remedy the problem.

The next question came about giving all of the 300 level courses the H designation when they were deemed upper-level courses and the topics was an intro course. It was explained that since history courses feature different times and places each one is an introduction to that time period. The department does not want to force people to take an intro course if they have a genuine interest in a different topic. It was also noted that the history department is currently set up so that upper level courses can be taken for the H perspective.

The change in the department would not require any new staff members, which was another concern since six new courses would be added to the catalog. Since the courses are taught on a rotating basis, not all of the courses would be taught at once. Therefore, there would be no competition with other departments for a new full time position.



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Dr. Jay Hartman, pictured above, is one of two faculty members who will be retiring at the end of the year. He is a professor of English literature. Edward Baldrige, a long time history professor at Muhlenberg, will also retire.

After almost an hour of debate, the motion to change the department and major requirements was passed. As a result, the following eighteen courses will be added to the catalog: Introduction to History, Disease and Medicine in American History, Alternative America: The Losers History of the United States, Latinos in the United States, The Family and Gender in Pre-Industrial Europe, The Roman Empire, Byzantine History, Foundations of the British Peoples to 1485, From England to the United Kingdom, The British Empire/Commonwealth: Rise and Decline, Early Russia, Soviet Russia, "With Sword and Compass"; The Enterprise Since Columbus, "Under Fire": Europe and Era of the First World War, "Storm of Steel": Europe and the Era of the Second World War, "Paris Was Yesterday": The City and its People in History, France since 1958: "Oppression and Liberty," and The New Europe: A Society in Transition.

The following courses will be deleted from the catalog: Western Civilization to 1648, Western Civilization since 1648, The United States to 1877, The United States since 1877, Traditional Civilization of East Asia, American Intellectual History to 1900, Ancient Rome, History of England to 1603, History of England since 1603, War and Society in Twentieth Century Europe, Traditional Russia, Russian Revolution and the Soviet Regime.

Then, the Faculty Personnel and Policies Committee (FPPC) asked the faculty to endorse a letter about outside consultancies. The letter was written by the FPPC in response to Mr. Small who is currently studying the communication department. The letter expresses the faculty's concerns that the earlier resolution stating their opposition to Mr. Small visiting classes was ignored. They are upset that he was brought in without consultation with the department. The letter also said that "all decisions on programs or personnel, regardless of the recommendations made by an outside consultant, must be made in accordance with the established procedures."

A question was raised as to why the department was under review. Dean Dretsch said the purpose was because both current and former students had raised concerns. He also said that the specifics of the matter could not be discussed further unless the meeting moved into executive session. Dr. Jansen, the longest standing member of the Communication Department, noted that these concerns had never been brought to her or others members of the department before the outside consultant was hired.

After the discussion, the faculty voted unanimously to endorse the letter.

The final item was the approval of the graduation list which is done in executive session.

Annual Student Dance Show Features Moving Pieces

by Jenny-Lynn Knotek
Assistant News Editor

Last weekend, the Muhlenberg Dance Ensemble performed in Brown Hall Dance Studio in the second annual Student-Choreographed Dance Show. Although many of the pieces this year were shorter in length than those last year, it was a tremendous concert.

Attendance was very high. Doors opened five to ten minutes early each night because people had crowded the stairwell in Brown, and the show commenced five to ten minutes earlier because the studio filled so quickly. Students were actually turned away because there was not enough room to accommodate them in the small space provided. Students and parents commented on how much more enjoyable and comfortable the show would have been had it been performed in the Empie Theatre.

Despite the limited space, dancers, technical staff and choreographers all did an excellent job. With the help of a fabric backdrop, makeshift stage "wings," portable spotlights, and folding chairs, the dance studio became a stage.

"Manipulations" opened the show with a bang. Sophomores Erika Etlen and Jennifer Dite choreographed a dance that has not been seen on the stage at Muhlenberg before: hip hop. Though each choreographer had her own unique steps, they blended perfectly to form a funky jazz hit set to Michael Jackson's "MJ Megamix." The eight dancers seem to take over, and had such power and energy that people were seen moving to the beat in their seats.

Freshman Kim Kunda, completely out of breath from "Manipulations," moved effortlessly into "5'10" and 90 lbs," a modern piece choreographed by junior Jessica Swainbank. Set to two Tori Amos songs and one Ani Difranco song, Swainbank's five dancers sent out a powerful message about eating disorders. The dance expressed an abstract problem which is so difficult to express in words, in a linear form. Each dancer perfected the psychosis of an anorexic or bulimic, the isolation they feel, and their need to have control and be accepted. The lighting by freshman Karen Brown captured the tone of the piece perfectly.

Sophomore Lanell Stang's "The WONDER Years" added a unique and upbeat tap dance about the coming of age. Through three separate entities of the piece, she showed the "Ew! cooties" stage, the "mysterious" stage, and the final "acceptance" stage of marriage. She used tap in a different way to convey her message.

Ending the first act, sophomores Elmer Moore, Jr., and Meredith Cole performed a deep interpretive dance piece, "Chronological Cycle." Performed to "Wade in the Water," a spiritual song sung by Sweet Honey in the Rock, the two dancers moved fluidly, as if their bodies fit together like a puzzle. Their chemistry and intensity was a truly moving experience. The choreographers had the general view of relationships in mind when they choreographed this piece.

The only two seniors to choreograph this year collaborated on "Uncle Denny's." Abra Pappa and Heather Nucifora created an interesting modern piece reflecting the emotions Nucifora felt after her Uncle Dennis dies this past winter. The simple costumes and lighting by sophomore Louis Zelus accentuated every emotion of this dance.

Aimee Allione, a sophomore, choreographed a piece unlike any other ever performed at Muhlenberg. "A Midsummer's Daydream" was a Renaissance dance with six dancers. Although the degree of dancing was fairly minimal when compared to others, it stood its ground in setting a new precedent for the concert.

Sophomore JoAnne Strug choreographed "Dark Passion," which the six dancers performed excellently. The black and burgundy costumes and long, reaching extensions of the dancers' bodies enhanced the piece's theme of loving and losing.

Finally, Rebekkah Brown, a sophomore, created "What's in a Name?" Using seven soloists and six ensemble tappers, the tap dance, interspersed with dialogue, showed its simple theme, linking tap genres. Each soloist was outstanding, and the ensemble must be congratulated for its effort and outstanding tapping of each soloist.

Danielle Kokes, a sophomore, made a brave attempt in Friday night's performance. In "Manipulations," during one part, she landed on her foot in such a way that she twisted her ankle. However, she finished the dance and wrapped her ankle so she could continue in the show in the final piece.

This Friday, also in Brown Dance Studio, the Freshman Concert will be performed with two additions. The three freshman choreographers are Tanya Nicklous, Jill Mullin, and Beth Danton.

Tanya Nicklous is choreographing a jazz piece called "Triplication." It is about three friends, namely Nicklous, Jennifer Volk, and Domenica Cupo, who each have their own style of dance. They came together at the end to prove that they can intermingle.

Beth Danton also created a jazz piece entitled "Non-domesticated," set to "Black Cat" by Janet Jackson. She, Jill Mullin, Erika Etlen, JoAnne Strug, and Elizabeth Carlson dance to show the non-domesticated side of women, the freedom to be sensual and wild. It is mostly a piece for entertainment, says Danton.

Jill Mullin will perform in her French piece, "Legs," along with dancers Danielle Kokes, Kirsten Stensrud, and Mary Beth Morris. It is mostly a can-can routine, with lots of leg movements and cartwheels.

Two classes will also show their progress this semester. The African Dance and Culture Class will perform a dance called lamba. They will be wearing traditional African skirts called lapas, and use an on-campus drummer, who has been drumming for the jazz class on Tuesdays for the rhythmic music.

The Dance Composition class will also perform two presentations they assembled for class as a semester-closing activity.

Guest dancers from Cedar Crest College will perform a pieces as well, choreographed by Muhlenberg's own Bobby Torres, dance instructor.

The show will be in Brown Hall Dance Studio on Friday, starting at 6 pm. Again, like the concert last weekend, tickets are free but as seating is limited, arrive early.

Get Involved!!!

All students are encouraged to apply to serve on a faculty or college committee for the 1997-1998 school year. The applications are located in an envelope near the mailboxes on the lower level of Seegers. The students are voting members of the committees. Applications are due by 5 PM on April 25 at the Union Desk or to box 2795. If you have any questions call Chris McClary at x4054.

Admissions Sponsors Annual *Through The Red Doors*

photo by Dan Hammer

This Saturday, the Admissions office sponsored Through The Red Doors. This event is primarily designed to help seniors in high school decide whether or not Muhlenberg is a match for them. The day features tours, an activities fair, and a lunch in the Sports Center which is pictured above.

SENIOR WEEK SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

Senior Surprise Planned For May 15

compiled by Lindsey Bennett
guest writer

Senior Week is one of the last times the Graduating Class of 1997 will be collectively together. Special events have been planned to make these final moments last a life time.

In general, Senior Week events are limited to the Class of 1997 with events closer to Graduation open to registered guests and family. The Schedule is as follows:

Friday, May 9

All Graduating Seniors must pick-up their caps and gowns in the Bookstore during regular store hours.

Wednesday, May 14

Senior Welcome Back party. Senior week will kick-off in Brown Tent with DJ Frank 'O from 8-9 pm and again from 10-12 am. In addition, from 9-10 pm Comedian Pam Stone — the basketball coach from the hit show *Coach* — will deliver an outrageous act with guest comedian John Rathbone opening up the show.

Thursday, May 15

Senior Surprise. Be sure to register for the traditional Senior Surprise. Senior Surprise is the "location unknown" event of Senior Week. Next to The Senior Ball, Senior Surprise is always the most talked about event! All registered seniors should gather in Memorial Hall at 5:30 pm to board their designated buses by 6 pm.

Friday, May 16

Before The Senior Ball be sure to stop by Taylor's Tent for the Annual Champagne Brunch from 11-1:30 pm. For those Seniors spending the night at Fernwood, two buses will leave at 2 pm from in front of the CA for the Poconos. For those only attending the ball for the evening, a second set of buses will leave from the CA at 5 pm and will depart from Fernwood at 1 am to return for the 'Berg.

Saturday, May 17

For those having spent the night at Fernwood, at 10:30 am buses will bring you back to the 'Berg in time for the Family Party held in East Quad from 1-1:30 pm. After the Family Party, all Seniors must attend the Mandatory Meeting held in the Empie Theater.

At 5:30 there will be a Catholic Mass held in the chapel before Seniors need to begin lining up at 8:45 for the Candle lighting Ceremony in Brown Mall. The Ceremony is scheduled to begin at 9 pm and is sure to be a beautiful sight.

After the ceremony, all Seniors as well as their families and guests, are invited to gather together for the Commencement / Reunion Tent Party also on Brown Mall.

The party will feature two different bands. From 9:30-11:30 pm sounds of "The Glen Pritchard Band" can be heard before "The Honey Buzzards" take the stage from 11:30-1:30 am.

For any Seniors who have yet to pick up their caps and gowns from the bookstore, today will be the last chance to do so (Bookstore hours will be from 9:30-6).

Sunday, May 18

Today is the day for final farewells as Muhlenberg says good-bye to the Graduating Class of 1997 as they embark on their new lives as college graduates.

At 10 am the Baccalaureate Service will be held on the Front Lawn. Immediately after the service a Picnic Lunch will be served before Commencement begins at 2 pm. The last thing to remember is to return your cap and gown to the bookstore by 6 pm.

*NOTE: The rain location for the above events is Memorial Hall.

Attention Seniors

All Seniors who have forgotten to order their tuxedos for the Senior Ball, time is running out. Order your tuxedo now!! Go to C.E. Roth Tuxedo on 208 North 10th Street. Questions? Call Roth at 432-9452 as soon as possible.

Student Achievement Recognized at Honors Convocation

by Jenny Lynn Knotek
Assistant News Editor

Sunday afternoon faculty, students, friends and family gathered in Egner Chapel for the Spring Honors Convocation, in Muhlenberg College's 149th year.

Giving the address this year, Dr. Richard Niesenbaum discussed "Liberal Arts Solutions." He said that because problems do not address students directly, they tend to build an immunity to them. In fact, Niesenbaum discussed adding the "G" course requirement for "guilt." Such classes as Biodiversity and Environmental Studies invoke the awareness of such problems as extinction, recycling and reusing, and the awareness of happenings in other countries. Niesenbaum offers the integration of liberal arts fields as a solution to this problem. By integrating such fields as science or economics with foreign language studies, for example, one can learn more by traveling or talking with others right here.

Niesenbaum received the Huebner Global Education and Awareness Award this year, along with Dr. Barbara Gorka, for their work in integrating science and language.

Both Dr. Dunhams received faculty awards. Dr. William Dunham received the Donald B. Hoffman Research Fellowship, and Dr. Penelope Dunham received the Robert C. Williams Faculty Award.

Other faculty awards that were given are as followed:

The Pearl W. and Julian W. Newhart Faculty Prize: Dr. Susan Schwartz

The First-Year Advisor of the Year Award: Dr. Marsha Baar

The Chairman's Award: Becky Grace

The Class of 1932 Research Professorship will be announced later this week; also, because of depleting funds, this award will no longer be given out on an annual basis.

President Arthur Taylor gave remarks before the awards were given. Taylor said that when someone says, "there is no news," that is wrong. Muhlenberg College is news, and its students make news.

Ninety awards were given out to students of every class.

Alpha Chi Omega received the Dean's Award for the fraternal organization which has had the greatest impact upon its members, the College, and the larger community.

The Concert Board received the President's Award for the organization which has contributed in the most positive way to the College in the past year.

A reception outside the chapel followed the convocation.

Congratulations to the following students have been elected members of Phi Beta Kappa:

Jill Borin
Michelle Burkhardt
Brian Cocca
Andrew C. Cordle
John Davidyock
Roseanne DeFronzo
Catherine DiFelice
John Dowgin
Maureen Forsyth
Peter Fridirici
Sheryl Goldberg
Pamela Gordon
Johanna Hollway
Brian Jacobs
Suzanne Kuttel
Andrea Liberatoscioli
Christopher Martucci
Lauren McCullough
Melanie Moore
Lara Muth
Maria Patselas
Todd Rothman
Steven Shay
Stephen Schmoyer
Richard Speicher
Gregory Stout
Samuel Weiner
Brian Wilner
Kristine Wilton
Faaiza Zaidi

TKE Beats ATO to Win Men's Greek Week

Inclement Weather Postponed Finish of Three Events

photo by Evan Berez

Marty Albanese prepares to throw the keg propelling ATO to a first place finish in this event.

photo by Evan Berez

Sophomore Ed Park of Sigma Phi Epsilon manages his way through the tires in the third leg of the obstacle course. The obstacle course was won by TKE.

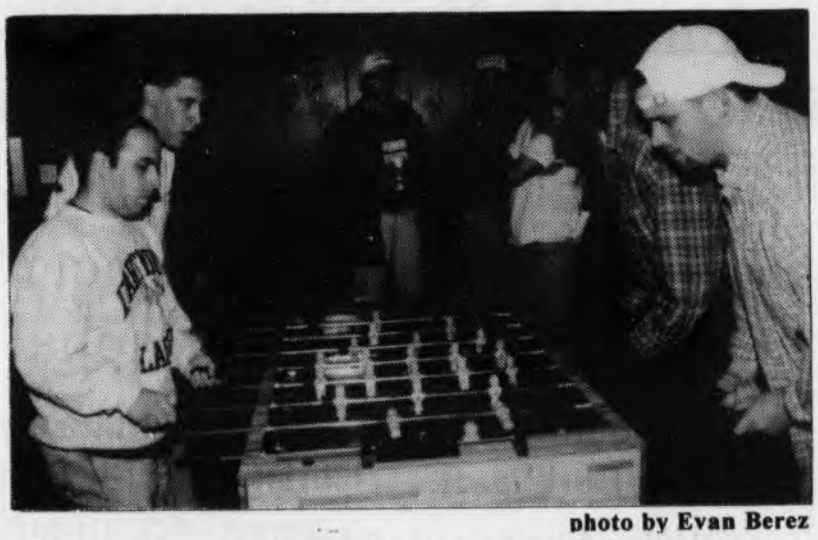

photo by Evan Berez

Players from AEPi and TKE face off in the prelims of foosball. SPE finished first in this event.

Are you interested in working on *The Muhlenberg Weekly* next year? We are currently looking for interested people to become editors, copy editors, and writers. If you are interested, call *The Weekly* office at x3187 or Larry at 770-0674.

Greek Week Results

Event	First	Second	Third	Fourth
Tug	TKE	ATO	SPE	AEPi
Tennis	TKE	ATO	SPE	AEPi
Foosball	SPE	AEPi	TKE	ATO
Swimming	ATO	SPE	TKE	AEPi
Bowling	AEPi	TKE	ATO	SPE
Billiards	SPE	AEPi	TKE	SPE
Obstacle Course	TKE	ATO	SPE	TKE
Keg Toss	ATO	TKE	SPE	AEPi
Arm Wrestling	ATO	TKE	AEPi	SPE
Weightlifting	ATO	TKE	AEPi	SPE
Walleyball	ATO	TKE	AEPi	SPE
Racquetball	TKE	SPE	AEPi	ATO
Darts	ATO	TKE	SPE	AEPi
Table Tennis	AEPi	TKE	SPE	ATO
Frisbee Golf	SPE	ATO	AEPi	TKE

Send your favorite seniors a good-bye message. The Class of 1999 will sponsor Kiss A Senior Good-bye which will allow students to send a Hershey Kiss and a message to a senior during exams for only a quarter. They can be purchased in the Union Friday, Monday, and Tuesday during lunch and dinner.

Greeks Make A Differnece

ATO Helps Gut Local Crack house

photo courtesy of ATO

Ealier this semester, ATO participated in a beach party in conjunction with the WZZO radio station to raise money for Cystic Fibrosis. In March, several brothers gave up many hours of their Satruday to assist the Old Allentown Preservation Association in renovating a rundown house in downtown Allentown. With sledgehammers and crowbars in hand, they knocked down walls, tore up floors, and ripped down the ceilings of a former crack house. On Saturday, ATO also co-sponsored a volleyball tournament with Panhel and MAC.

ATO wishes to congratulate all of those fraternities and sororities that participate in service activities which will help to keep the Greek system alive and active for many years to come. Congratulations on a great year.

The following students have been invited to join the National Order of Omega, an honor society for Greek leaders. Members were selected based on leadership, high academic standing, involvement in college activities, and service to the community. Their actions best exemplify the true meaning of fraternal life. The new members will be initiated on Monday, April 28 in the Chapel. Congratulations to the following people:

Libbi Pannone
Craig Nussbaum
Melissa Osorio
Tim Switaj
Adam Cooper
Matt Massaro
Anuj Prasard
Nicole Ducharme
Nancy Fernandez
Alissa Jacobs
Abby Ingber
Laura Varrone
Lisa Grandinetti
Kat Laughlin
Sarah Miner
Janine LoBello
Joshua Borger
Heather Clauss
Brian Dunfee
Jason Ross

Bloodhound Gang hits the big time with new CD, but manages to maintain their street credibility

Bloodhound Gang:
Guilty of Offense in the First Degree
CD Review by Dave Boelker

O.K., you may not want to hear this, but *Bloodhound Gang* is no longer some local phenomenon to suburban Philadelphia.

They are for real, at least as far as popularity goes.

You may have seen them on MTV's *Loveline* or *The Jenny McCarthy Show*. Someone, please tell me where it will all end.

Unlike their previous offerings on Cheese Factory Records (very telling, isn't it?), on their latest release on Geffen Records, *One Fierce Beer Coaster,* there is a full compliment of band members present.

They are actually playing musical instruments.

The band consists of frontman/comedian extraordinaire Jimmy Pop Ali, guitarist Lupus (he's down to a b-cup), bassist/mechanic Evil Jared, drummer Spanky G and DJ Q-Ball.

This band, with its collection of social degenerates and morons, provides its fans with a virtual anthology of all the politically incorrect things many of us may find funny, but don't have the audacity to laugh at in mixed company.

The music on the album is, to say the least, interesting. They mix deep, hard bass lines with choppy guitar tracks and intrusive sampling.

Some of the tracks are simplistic metal; some are of the jumpy, imitation sarcastic hip hop genre. Any way you look at, they're put together well. There are some redeeming qualities to each song.

Bloodhound Gang cannot be classified in the musical world.

They are just one collective, ridiculous comedy team with drums and guitars.

At *One Fierce Beer Coaster,* you'll laugh, you'll cringe and the faint of heart might even cry, but no matter, the rest of us are left in stitches.

Although their musical antics are comparable to "Weird" Al Yankovic, their music is much more original. Separating "Weird" Al's songs of parody from just funny topics and insults, they make fun of everything and everyone, even the "great" state of New Jersey, so the lyrics keep you entertained, but underlying is the music.

It seems as if the music is not produced as accompaniment to the lyrics, but vice versa.

Simply put, the *Bloodhound Gang* has alot of time on their hands, and songwriter Jimmy Pop has nothing better to do with his time than to sit around all day and watch 80's reruns and create alluding insults and jokes from them.

Bottom line, they have a great act. They keep you listening with songs like "Why's Everybody Always Pickin' On Me?" (their latest single), "Shut Up," " Your Only Friends Are Make Believe" and "Fire Water Burn."

Then there's their own self-tribute song, "Going Nowhere Slow," effacing all those who said they would never go anywhere.

Pick up their CD, and if you're not too offended, you'll eat it up.

I recently saw their live show at the Trocadero in Philly. I was extremely impressed with their surprisingly polished live act.

They have certainly come a long way from their not so remote days of playing garages and large, shady house parties in Doylestown, Woxall and Perkasie, PA. They have surely proven that you can make money purposely being idiots.

Lyric of the Week from the BHG: "If you were not entertained, you did not drink enough booze."

AMC Tilghman 8 Theaters Movie Listings

Liar, Liar
2:00, 5:40, 8:00, 10:20, 12:10
Volcano
1:30, 4:40, 7:20, 10:00, 12:20
Romy & Michelle
1:40, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45, 11:40
Murder at 1600
1:20, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10, 12:10
Grosse Pointe Blank
1:50, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30, 12:20
That Old Feeling
1:10, 7:15
8 Heads in a Duffel Bag
5:00, 9:30
The Saint
1:00, 5:00, 7:40, 10:20, 12:30
Anaconda
1:50, 5:20, 7:50, 10:00, 11:50

Before you hit the books do not forget ...

Friday, April 25
4 pm - Student Recital - RH
EAST FEST
4 - 10 pm - Carnival Games
4:30 - 6:30 pm - Dinner
5:30 - 8 pm - Band
7:30 pm - Jazz Band Concert - ET
9 - 11 pm - RHA: "INURSHA" - UG
9 pm - MAC Movie: "Ace Ventura 2: When Nature Calls" - RDC

Saturday, April 26
Junior Open House
1 pm - Softball vs Ursinus - DH
1 pm - Lacrosse vs F&M
BENFER BASH
2 - 8 pm - Games
4:30 - 6:30 pm - Dinner
5:30 - 8 pm - Band
8 pm - Art Club Fashion Show - CH
9 pm - MAC Movie: "Sleepers" - RDC

Sunday, April 27
12 - 8 pm - Housing Lottery - Field House
2 pm - Puppet Theater: 'Bread and Butter' - Kern Field
8:30 pm - MAC Movie: "Sleepers" - RDC

Monday, April 28
7:30 pm - Opera Group Performance - RH

Tuesday, April 29
12 - 6 pm - Star Struck Studios - SU
3 pm - Softball vs Scranton - DH
7:30 pm - Opera Group Performance - RH

Wednesday, April 30
7 - 10 pm MAC Sponsored Band: Soul Clown - East Quad (Rain - RD)

During your study breaks do not forgot ...

Thursday, May 1
3 pm - Softball vs Kean (DH)
7 pm - MAC Movie: "When Harry Met Sally" - RDC
Jefferson Field Day

Friday, May 2
5 - 12 pm - Free Game Night
7 pm - MAC Movie: "Police Academy" - RDC

Saturday, May 3
7 pm - MAC Movie: "Nutty Professor" - RDC
10 - 1 am - RHA: Midnight Study Break - RDC

Sunday, May 4
4 pm - Dynamics Concert - RH
7 pm - MAC Movie: "Ace Ventura" - RDC

Monday, May 5
7 pm - MAC Movie: "Nutty Professor" - RDC

Tuesday, May 6
7 pm - MAC Movie: "Striptease" - RDC

Wednesday, May 7
7 pm - MAC Movie: "Sleepers" - RDC

Thursday, May 8
7 pm - MAC Movie: "A Time to Kill" - RDC

Friday, May 9
7 pm - MAC Movie: "Nutty Professor" - RDC

Good luck on exams and have a great summer!

Bread and Puppet Theater Will Play on Hockey Field

by Ian Alderman
Weekly Magazine Writer

Since the first day I was here at Muhlenberg people have said there is never anything to do.

This coming weekend on Sunday April 27th at 2:00pm there will be many things to do, and as the **Bread and Puppet Theater** will try to show us, there is still much to be done in our surrounding community of Allentown.

The **Bread and Puppet Theater** was founded 20 years ago on the East Side of New York City by Peter Schumann and other artists interested in making a difference and has since moved to a farm they call home in Vermont.

One might ask, "What kind of difference do they make?" The answer is simple. . .whatever kind of difference they can make, they will make.

This theater troupe, one of world-renowned success, is here at Muhlenberg College to be with our theater department for a ten-day residency. **Bread and Puppet Theater** are the receivers of the Erasmus Prize of Amsterdam, two Obies, the Puppeteers of America's President's Award, and the Governor's Award.

Muhlenberg students, faculty, and many others will all be participating in the making and developing of an original show to be performed on Kern Field (the field hockey field) this Sunday.

The piece will be focusing on Allentown's community, that community that we as students so frequently forget we are part of.

The problems that this community deals with are not exclusive to Allentown, no one is claiming that they are, however they are problems that we as leaders of the future can no longer choose to ignore.

Race, drugs, violence, humanity, and community are aspects of life that we all deal with in our lives through one way or another. **Bread and Puppet Theater** will try to point out some of the issues that we as part of the community should make ourselves more aware of.

Peter Schumann and his players are not only trying to give a politically correct message, they are also trying to help you "understand that theater is not yet an established art form, not the place of commerce you think it is, where you pay to get something. Theater is different. It is more like bread, more like a necessity. Theater is a form of religion. It is fun.

It preaches sermons and it builds up a self-sufficient ritual where the actors try to raise their lives to the purity and ecstasy of the actions in which they participate."

Schumann also says, "Puppet theater is the theater of all means."

His puppets and shows "don't teach problems, but they scream and dance and hit each other on the head and display life in its clearest terms."

Sunday's festivities will consist of the original piece that **Bread and Puppet Theater** along with members of the community and Muhlenberg students and faculty helped to create.

A parade, and the ceremonial baking of the bread with a brick oven that will be built on Kern Field by Schumann and others to distribute the bread will join us together as a community.

It will certainly be a rare and different experience for all of us here at Muhlenberg. Come out and watch or participate in the experience that **Bread and Puppet Theater** are so famous for creating.

If interested in participating, then go to Kern field tomorrow at 4:00.

This Sunday there is something to do at Muhlenberg College.

Camp Tall Timbers is a residential co-ed recreational summer camp located 90 miles west of Washington D.C. in the mountains of West Virginia. We have openings for 6 male counselors and 2 female counselors. Employment from June 21-August 18. If you like to work with people and wat a great summer, Call 1-800-862-2678 for more information.

Live in Suburban Philadelphia? Contact Sesame/ Rockwood Day Camps. Counselors and specialists are currently needed. If you are ineterested, contact us at (610) 275-2267 or at Box 385, Blue Bell, PA 19422. We can also be reached at srdaycamps @com.

Are you interested in writing for The Weekly next year? We are looking for students who would be interested in writing for the magazine section. This would include writing movie reviews, CD reviews, and other entertainment related articles.

BREAD & PUPPET THEATER

A world premiere performance - FREE!

Artists of the internationally acclaimed Bread & Puppet join Muhlenberg students and community artists in an original puppet theater performance with mask, music, and the ritual baking of bread to tell our community's story!

SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2 P.M.

Staged on Kern Field, 22nd & Turner Street
Rain location: Memorial Hall, Sports Life Center

This residency and performance sponsored by: The Department of Theatre Arts, Muhlenberg College, Just Born,Inc., Ruth P. Seruga Trust, and The National Endowment for the Humanities
Special Thanks to: Student Council, Sports Life Center, Municipal Opera Company of Allentown, Howard Construction, Inc., and Beth-Allen Ladder & Scaffold

Consult the Mule...Your Weekly Horoscope

As the year comes to a close,
And summer creeps up under your nose,
We'd like to mention each of the zodiac signs
Just keep in mind , we're not really good with rhymes

Aries, of course, is the first one in line
And boy, has your year been such a fun time,
through the good and the bad,
you've managed to smile more than a tad,
you get props for that devotion to your friends,
and you, Aries, finally learned to make amends,
you're forever a dear person with such heart and soul,
just remember not to let things take too much of a toll
on your kind disposition and caring ways
for soon you'll be spending most of your days
away from those special people who mean the most
but remember when you make new friends not to boast
too much about the wonderful things you left here at school
like Victor's Lament, our very own college mascot, the mule
anyway Aries even though it's just about time to leave here,
never forget the important lessons about life you learned this year.
Then there's that Taurus,
oy, what a chorus,
you've always got some sort of catastrophe,
but you've learned that whatever will be, will be
you've begun to realize how very blessed you are,
and being that bull, we know you'll go far
try to keep in mind how important it is to believe,
for life is more than what you have up your sleeve,
just remember that you've got the world at your feet,
and always, of course, be careful of those people you meet
for you are a special one who has such an open mind
but make sure that once the summer begins you don't get left behind
because you're reminiscing your days back here
of course, you'll only be thinking of the good times and cheer
so have a fantabulous summer and enjoy your break
because next year when you return you'll need to be wide awake!
So, Gemini, seems like you've become quite the little whiner,
but don't fret, when you look at it all, nothing could be finer
you just need a good long break at it's important
perhaps a nice, quiet day at a beautiful lake,
but have no fear, though, a vacation is on the way
so, Gemini, just think about how you'll spend each upcoming summer day
you have to just be thankful for all that you've got,
after all, when you think about it, it sure is a lot
though times may not always go as planned or hoped
you have realized this year that it's hardly a reason to mope
life has had it's ups and, of course, its downs, too
but Gemini, you are a genuine person, for this is true
you mean well, and we know you'd never hurt a friend,
just keep that in mind if on them you ever need to depend,
so sit back, relax, and enjoy all you're lucky to be a part of,
after all, just remember everything that you've been blessed with from up above.
Here comes Cancer next up in our little ol' poem,
looks like you've really grown,
things may be a bit rough every now and then
but remember those olden days...way back when?!
You've made it through such a rough year
that you barely have anything left to fear,
Cancer, you have lots to offer everyone,
But nobody knows better than you the way life is done!
So how about if you stop and smell the roses once in a while,
also, keep in mind that it's important to keep a big, bright smile
on your sweet little face
and remember, too, that life isn't a race
so just sit back and enjoy all that you do,
you've gotta make summer fun the whole way through...
Well, Leo, wouldn't you know,
you're the one who has surprised us so,
how you've made such major improvements this year,
and proven to all that you can be such a dear,
learning the hard way just how to deal,
you now know the difference between fantasy and what is real,
you see how life is really meant to be
that it's not always full of happiness and glee
and that it won't kill you to apologize or admit that you feel bad
for you know that things aren't worth getting your friends upset or mad
so this summer remember to stay strong and true,
and concentrate on the most important part of life, you!
You're up next, Virgo
Looks like you've taken this year nice and slow,
things are really going your way,
however, just remember to watch what you say,
sometimes your tact takes the back seat,
and you don't want to hurt those people you meet,
summer may be just a few days away,
but try to really savor every remaining day,
you tend to wear your heart on your sleeve,
but there's nothing wrong with showing someone that you don't want to leave
just keep on smiling and you will see
that school makes quite a sweet memory.
And then there is good ol' Libra
walking around school with that exciting charisma
you have such a great attitude about all that comes your way
and you've really learned how to make the most out of each and every day
always remember to watch that mouth which open so much
you don't want to add some sort of bad touch,
you're kind and usually caring, too,
you're the one friends lean on when they're feeling blue
you've got so much that you can offer to those you meet
and hanging out with you is always such a treat!
It's always the Libra who puts us in a good mood
for you are never blunt or the least bit rude
things always seem to go your way,
so take advantage and make the most out of every summer day.
Up next is Scorpio and my you've grown up a lot so fast
but luckily your days of learning about life won't be the last
you have a special quality of learning from your mistakes
you are one of those people who just has what it takes
to have an effect on everyone you meet in many special ways
that your summer will definitely be filled with exciting fabulous days,
you've got a lot of neat stuff that you want to get done,
no need to fret, you, Scorpio, are always ready to have some fun,
but make sure that you believe in all you do and who you want to be,
for you are a wonderful person...this is something we all see.
So now we have reached Sagittarius,
who only rhymes with Aquarius,
however, this year has opened your eyes to so many new things,
we bet you can hardly wait to see what next year brings!
Instead of anticipating what is to come,
how 'bout you sit back and enjoy the summer some,
sometimes things get freaky and even a bit sticky,
but there is no need to be so picky...
you know that when you believe in what you do,
you succeed in all your ventures through and through,
one last thing before we move on,
don't spend your summer mowing the lawn,
life is too short to let it pass by,
so spend each day to its fullest and give things a try...
Round the corner, we meet up with Cap,
seems like just yesterday we suggested you take a short nap,
you need a break or a vacation of sorts,.
but have no fear, maybe your boat will hit all the ports,
not to say you'll be on a trip,
but we know you won't sit still this summer or you lose your grip,
hold on to your hobbies and keep them alive,
this is a summer on which you will thrive,
so look at the past as a way to learn,
keep your head up and take your turn
at whatever the future hold for you
you need to just get up and get going with all you can do
also enjoy whatever grabs your attention
because it's summer...or did we forget to mention?
Just have a good time and you will surely see you can be whoever you want to be.
Aquarius always seems to be full of good sense,
so don't you think it's time to visit those parents?!
Summer is for enjoying, resting and making money,
so look forward to your days spent well on the job, even if you find it funny,
make sure you take a few days to just be alone
this will give you time to realize how much you really have grown
you won't see just how special your friends are until they're away from you
but this is hardly a reason to be sad and blue
just think of those great memories you made this year
are you getting the point...are we making it clear?!
Anyway, Aquarius, it's been a year for you to learn and grow,
don't ignore your friends when they say "don't leave!"
you'll be greatly missed.
Oh hey there Pisces
it's the sign who is always having crises!
So often you are just a bunch of troubles and tears
we wish you would just enjoy these wonderful college years!

They go by so fast, as you should know,
keep in mind to look back at those good times as you go,
you're never content with a plain blah day
you seem happier when things don't go your way
why is this Pisces?
Perhaps we should inquire,
why you don't understand that life could be like it is in "Jerry Maguire,"
anything is possible, for this you will see
your life is never as messed up as you believe it to be
your memories and experiences, they are divine
no need to worry, it's a guarantee your summer will be just fine!

Okay so now a word for everyone,
our year of writing is almost done
even though our readers complain a lot,
the Horoscope column never did rot
away for even a week or two
NEWSFLASH...there really were never secret messages for any one of you
it may be cheesy, it may be gay,
but you ought to consider all that we say,
because we really do read the stars in the sky
our necks hurt from looking up so high!
So we're taking this summer off beginning in May

There will be no more reason for excitement in the union every Thursday!
And now, sadly enough, we've made it to the end
With much love, SHERRY & JEN

Married With Children to End Ten Year Run

review by Joe Flint
syndicate writer

It's the end of an era at Fox Broadcasting. The network has canceled "*Married ...With Children,*" the longest-running comedy currently on the air and the show that put Fox on the map 10 years ago.

The network kept the lid so tight on the end of the series that there won't be a traditional final episode. The last show was not taped before a live audience, so the cast didn't even say good-bye. The hour-long final episode will screen May 5.

The show's ratings have declined in recent years, and Fox apparently decided that the license fee of about $1.5 million per episode that it paid to the show's producer, Columbia TriStar Television, was too hefty.

The two sides had been in intense negotiations in hopes of reaching a deal on another season or special episodes for next year. At the same time, Columbia was shopping "*Married... With Children*" unsuccessfully to UPN and WB, according to sources.

For Fox, the often-raunchy "*Married... With Children*" proved that Rupert Murdoch's visión for a fourth network was not crazy. It premiered in April 1987 and within a few years had turned into a major hit for the fledgling network. For some nine years it anchored its Sunday-night lineup.

But in the face of sagging ratings, this season Fox moved it to Saturday night, where it struggled, and then to Monday. This season it had been averaging a 6.4 rating and 10 share, according to Nielsen.

When the show premiered, it was as the antithesis of NBC's family-friendly "*The Cosby Show.*" Indeed, one title suggested at the time was "*Not the Cosbys.*" Besides giving Fox its first success, the series also drew the wrath of some viewers for its crudeness.

Terry Rakolta, a Michigan housewife, grabbed 15 minutes of fame for leading advertiser boycotts against the network. She made the rounds of talk shows, Congress and the FCC complaining about the anti-family values that she said Fox was promoting through "*Married... With Children.*"

But the show thrived on the controversy. These days, it sometimes seems tame compared to newer shows, although the producers never lost the desire to push buttons.

Although the stars of the show, which include Ed O'Neill, Katey Sagal, Christina Applegate and David Faustino, were less than thrilled with the time-period changes this season, they made it a point to help the network's promotion efforts by still appearing at affiliate meetings after all these years.

Still, some hold out the possibility that if Fox has problems with its new comedies next season, it could try to squeeze some more life out of "*Married... With Children*" by ordering additional episodes.

Neither Fox nor Columbia executives commented on the cancellation of "*Married... With Children.*"

Muhlenberg Announces New Study Abroad Program in Russia

photo courtesy of Dr. Kipa

Seated in the front are Dr. Dianova of Moscow State University and President Taylor. Standing are Dr. Herrick, the director of the study abroad program, and Dr. Kipa who helped set up the exchange program.

Muhlenberg President Arthur Taylor and Moscow State University Professor of Philosophy Galina Dianova, deputy dean of Foreign Affairs, have signed an agreement between the two institutions which will facilitate student and faculty exchanges in the years ahead. Under the terms of the agreement, qualified Muhlenberg students will have the opportunity to study at Moscow State, Russia's most prestigious university, for a semester or a year. Moscow State students, selected by the Faculty of Foreign Languages, will spend a semester or a year at Muhlenberg primarily pursuing courses in American Studies, English, History, Political Science, Business and Computer and Information Science. Faculty members will participate in arrangements which may range in length from a few weeks to an academic year.

The agreement was signed in March during Dr. Dianova's visit to Muhlenberg. The groundwork was laid last year by Dr. Kipa, Professor of German and Russian, during a visit to Moscow. Dr. Kipa met with the dean of the Faculty of Foreign Languages, Professor Svetlana Ter-Minasova, and they agreed in principle to proceed with plans for student and faculty exchanges. Dr. Chris Herrick, Muhlenberg's study abroad, director, prepared the actual wording of the final document. It is anticipated that the first Moscow State faculty member may be at Muhlenberg in the fall.

Anaconda Better Off Going To Home Video

Despite some game efforts by a fine cast dominated by a brazenly over-the-top Jon Voight, *Anaconda* is a silly and plodding *Jaws* rip-off about a 40-foot man-eating snake on the prowl in the Brazilian rain forest.

The Columbia Pictures release might scare up some small change during its opening weekend, but likely will fare better after it slithers off to video.

The pic begins with a documentary crew setting out on a river journey to find the Shirishama Indians, a legendary tribe that supposedly exists in a hidden corner of the rain forest. Anthropologist Steve Cale (Eric Stoltz) heads a team that includes director Terri Flores (Jennifer Lopez), cameraman Danny Rich (Ice Cube), sound mixer Gary Dixon (Owen Wilson), production manager Denise Kalberg (Kari Wuhrer) and narrator Warren Westridge (Jonathan Hyde).

Early on, the documentarians bring aboard an unexpected guest: Paul Sarone (Jon Voight), an aggressively charismatic but enigmatically evasive fellow who's rescued from a sinking boat. Sarone claims to know the whereabouts of the Shirishama tribe, and offers to guide his rescuers there. Before long however, it's clear Sarone has a very different agenda in mind.

Not surprisingly — remember, pic is named Anaconda, not Shirishama—Sarone turns out to be a ruthless snake-hunter who has more than a little in common with his prey. When Cale is incapacitated after an encounter with a tropical insect, Saronetakes the opportunity to commandeer the crew's river barge to hunt for a legendary anaconda that is just slightly smaller than the Alaskan Pipeline. He plans to take the creature back alive; the anaconda of course, has other ideas.

Sporting a scarred face, an arrogant leer and a tricky accent that's meant to identify him as a Paraguayan, Voight gives a performance that could be labeled Swift's Premium and sold by the pound. He has a near-classic moment of high-camp grandiloquence in a scene in which Sarone gleefully describes the anaconda as "the perfect killing machine... It strikes, wraps around you, holds you tighter than your true love. And you get the privilege of hearing your bones break before the power of their embrace causes your veins to explode." To their credit, the other actors in the scene listen to all of this with perfectly straight faces.

For all of his considerable excess, Voight is a lot more fun, and much more convincing, than the Animatronic anaconda, which comes off looking like a cartoonish bit player from Who Framed Roger Rabbit. This is particularly true when Westridge tries to escape the creature by diving from a tree near the top of a waterfall. While he's in midair, unfortunately, the snake stretches out — boing! — and grabs the luckless narrator in its teeth. Tex Avery would be proud, but audiences probably will laugh out loud.

Top-billed Jennifer Lopez actually filmed this folly before *Selena,* so there is an amusingly ironic undercurrent to the scene where her character, a first-time filmmaker, bitterly surveys her situation. "I thought this movie would be my first big break," she says. "Instead, it's turned into a disaster." Amen, sister.

Hyde has a couple of funny scenes as the doomed Westridge, the sort of fatuous twit who practices his golf swing on the deck of a river barge. Wilson (Bottle Rocket) and Wuhrer do as well as they can as supporting players who exist only to become snake food. Stoltz spends nearly three-quarters of the pic off camera while his character is asleep below deck, recovering from his injuries. It's hard to shake the suspicion that, while his co-stars continued to labor on Anaconda, Stoltz was free to go off and do two or three indie movies between scenes.

With Stoltz out of the way, it's up to the plucky Lopez and the well-cast Ice Cube to battle the big snake in the less-than-stunning climax. Anaconda is the first movie of its kind to have a Latina and an African-American handle the monster disposal chores, so director Luis Llosa (Sniper, The Specialist) deserves at least a little credit for subverting genre conventions. Usually, a character such as the one Ice Cube plays is among the first to be chomped up by the marauding creature.

And just as often, a character such as Lopez's director merely stands around, frozen in fear, when she isn't screaming her pretty little head off. Welcome to the brave new world of politically correct B movies.

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Shannon Gary was given the honor of being the 1996 Homecoming King and Jen Blair was named queen while President Taylor and other members of the Homecoming court look on. The awards were given at the annual Homecoming football game.

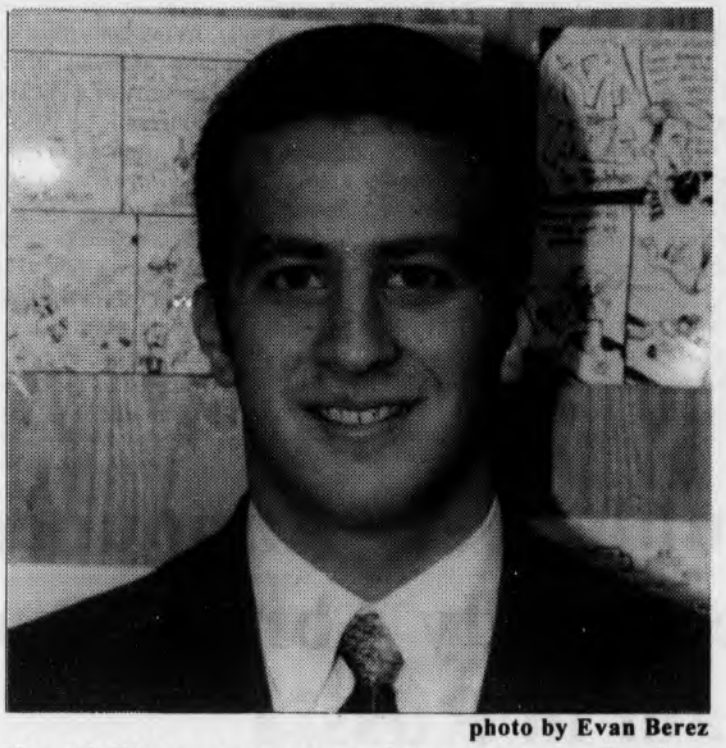

photo by Evan Berez

David Silber was elected to serve as Student Body President for the upcoming year. He is already hard at work setting goals and attempting to get more students involved in their government. He will serve as President until next Spring.

photo by Rebecca Cliff

After many years of dedicated service to the students of Muhlenberg, Dean Kurt Thiede retired early this semester. He is currently working for a company focusing on educational consulting. Although he was sad to leave Muhlenberg, he decided it was the best time for both him and his family to move on and accept a new challenge.

photo courtesy of George Clinton

After years of waiting, Muhlenberg was treated to a big band. George Clinton and the P-Funk Allstars were brought to campus by The Concert Board under Jenn Grant, Shethir Mustafa, and Ronnie Bergman. Since that time, The Concert Board has won the President's Award for the organization which contributed to Muhlenberg in the most positive way.

In Review

photo courtesy of Delta Zeta

Delta Zeta' s fall pledge class of 1995, right after receiving their first sets of letters. What bright smiles - did they know back then that in a little over a year their sorority would hold the honor of being Greek Week champions? They broke Alpha Chi's eleven year winning streak.

photo by public relations

In a very special event, Marlin Fitzwater, former Secretary of State, and Gennadi Gerasimov, former spokesman for Gorbachev and current visiting dignified professor, debated in Egner Chapel. The two remembered their days working together with great fondness.

photo courtesy of Becky Grace

Earlier this semester, MAC brought famous comedian Michael Winslow to campus for a show in the Garden Room. The event drew a huge crowd, filling the Garden Room. Winslow is famous for his work in the Police Academy movies and for the interesting and strange sounds and noises he can make. Pictured above are members of MAC with Winslow.

photo courtesy of Dr. Niesenbaum

Pictured above are a group of students who participated in a trip to Peru with Dr. Niesenbaum over Christmas Break. The group traveled down the Amazon looking at the natural history of the area. A trip to Europe was also sponsored over Christmas. Six Muhlenberg students participated in the trip which featured stops in France and Spain.

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Letters to the Editor

Student Praises Staff Members

To the Editor:

I have just completed my registration process for the Fall semester and feel compelled to convey my positive impressions of the experience. Too often, "Thank you" is forgotten in this modern world.

Once again, the staff of the Registrar's Office handled my registration in a manner that was friendly, expedient and thorough. Considering the daunting task of registering so many students, I find this professional attitude amazing. But this is pretty much par with every other department on this campus.

I have never found the library staff anything but helpful; the day and evening college faculty accessible and supportive. My perceptions reflect repeated experiences, not isolated situations.

Before coming to Muhlenberg as a student, I spent many years employed in "service-oriented" academia, so I know how it is to have people in my face forty hours a week demanding immediate attention. Coming from such an environment, where a simple signature on a form was a bureaucratic nightmare, I find Muhlenberg a breath of fresh air.

Sincerely,
Mary J. Bowen

Editor Recognizes Editor-in-Chief

Dear Editor:

This is to inform the student body that as of August 1, 1997, the new Editor-in-Chief of the *Muhlenberg Weekly* will be Larry Carney. Current Editor-in-Chief, Jay Faigenbaum, will resign after a year of dedication to improving the *Weekly*. Jay has been a responsible editor and the entire staff, especially the editors, thank him for his long hours and assistance in writing and layout. He was always determined to better the *Weekly* regardless of the long hours and outside criticism. In the beginning of the spring semester, Jay recruited three new editors to insure that the *Weekly* had sufficient coverage of as many campus events as possible. Despite what the *Weekly's* critics have to say, the newspaper would not be as lengthy or informative as it currently is without Jay's persistence and devotion. On behalf of the *Weekly* staff, I thank and commend Jay for a year of outstanding dedication and wish Larry lots of luck in his new demanding position.

Sincerely,
Lauren Casa
News Editor

Policy For East Fest Disclosed

To the Student Body:

As the last full week of classes draws to a close, two annual Muhlenberg traditions will make this the best weekend on campus this semester. East Fest returns to East Quad on April 25 and The Event Formerly Known as Benfer Bash will take place on April 26. Both events will have the BYOB policy in effect from 4:00 to 8:00 for those 21 years of age or older. Dinner service on both days will take place at the event, so don't go to the Garden Room for dinner! Here's a rundown of events for these two fun-filled days:

East Fest will be from 4:00 to 10:00 on Friday, April 25. Events at East Fest will include: a 30 foot high rock climbing wall, the Orbitron gyroscope, and a dunk tank where you will be able to get back at some of Muhlenberg College's favorite employees. Those braving the dunk tank include Dean of Students Rudy Ehrenberg, Dean of Admissions Chris Hooker-Haring, Director of Campus Safety Ken Lupole, Seegers Union Director Dick Begbie, Judicial Officer Melissa Houck, and Campus Safety Officer Tom Dougherty. The band Moonhead will be performing from 5:30 to 8:00, with other music being offered by WMUH. Dinner service will be at East Quad from 4:30 to 7:00. Those over the age of 21 will be able to check their alcohol at the door. In the event of rain, East Fest will be moved to the Field House at the Life Sports Center.

The Event Formerly Known as Benfer Bash takes place from 2:00 to 8:00 on Saturday, April 26. Benfer Bash will have a bungee run and a twelve man laser tag game for all to enjoy. The popular bad Fuel will be on stage from 5:30 to 8:00 to entertain all in attendance. Dinner will be served from 4:30 to 7:00 in Benfer's parking lot. The BYOB table will be set up between Benfer and the Center for the Arts. The Event Formerly Known as Benfer Bash is a rain or shine event, so don't let a few raindrops scare you away.

Student ID's or the proper guest registration cards will be required to enter either event. Also, since both events will be BYOB and dinner will be served outside, and student ID's should again be used. The BYOB policy allows those 21 years of age or older to check up to six cans of alcohol. No bottles can be checked in at the table. These are two great events we will be having this weekend. All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,
Megan Bosso
Head Resident of East Hall
Keith Harris
Head Resident of Benfer/MacGregor/Hillside
Jay Whiteman
Head Resident of Martin Luther

Student Praises *Kafka Project*

In working on The Kafka Project, I have recently made discoveries about the craft that we refer to as theatre. Words will do no justice to the feelings this experience has brought out in me, yet, as I have no other form of expression outside of the art to which I am referring, I choose words. This will be a mess of my thoughts as it is very early in the morning or late in the evening and I have been pondering over art as a whole for quite some time. At times my thoughts will seem random, and most likely they will be, but I will push on through.

This piece of theatre is like no other that I have seen, it is all I have ever wanted theatre to be. It is loud with a soft voice. It is specific without being blatant. It is real without being real, and it is, in some odd way, linear without being linear. It is all these things and none of these things. It is a collaborative effort of which I am seeing only a fraction, and that is the saddest of all I have to say about this piece - I wish I could have seen it from day one. The discoveries that take place every second upon the stage which we work are both enormous and minute. This is my attraction to the piece, it has no limits. It is formed, shaped, conceived, played out, and reworked. Why does this happen?... because it can happen. Because it is ours to play with - it is ours to discover, uncover, think up, and strip down. It is theatre at its utmost core - actors, directors, composers, costumes, crew, set, and lights all working towards one common goal. . .art. . .a vision. . .a concept. . .not a play or a show or a production so to speak, but art. This is not the everyday "here's a script. . .let's do the show" routine. This is the "here's an idea. . .let's make it happen" kind of theatre. It is art and theatre as a test for the mind. It is visual and intellectual. It is moments and units. It is sequences wrapped together through concept unheard. It is demanding on all parts of everyone involved. It is one artist moving another to do better work. It is the image of a beautiful song being poured out of a beautiful pitcher in the hands of a master pourer as she pushed the words to come from a place only the pitcher can feel. The words sing out with heart - emotion - sincerity. It has driven me to demand more from others, myself, my craft. It has lead me to believe that our art is not dead and will not be killed as so many people try to do so. It has inspired me to create, to write, to live, to think, to experience all. It has given me answers to questions unasked and made me question ideas to which I thought I had answers. It has racked my brain and calmed my mind, all this in just a couple of weeks, but I think that is an advantage that I have over most others involved. I am involved to the point of understanding but not to the point of not being able to observe as an outsider. . .the best of both worlds. As I sit here typing the word that leak out of my hand - images of the piece flash through my mind too quick to conceive, too tangible to ignore. What is happening to me? I have been moved - inspired - energized. It is the piece that has done this to me, it is the piece and all the work that has been put into the piece. As someone once said, "It is, what it is, what it is". . .it is. . .The Kafka Project.

Ian Alderman
Class of 2000

Sports Editor Defends Section Against Criticism

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the hard working members of the sports staff who have consistently turned in above-average work all semester.

Scott Burke came through week after week with high-quality articles. Steve Faella did a fantastic job with the new "Profile of a Mule" column.

Larry Carney was always there to pick up an article or two every week, despite the huge responsibilities he faces as Managing Editor of *The Weekly*.

Tracey McGee has recently joined the staff, writing on the baseball and softball teams. Tracey is a great addition to the sports writing team and her continued involvement will be appreciated next semester.

Despite the fact that *The Weekly* has covered the athletic teams and events to the best of our limited capabilities, there are those in the student body and Athletic Department who have criticized the sports section.

While I know that I have made some mistakes in my first semester as Sports Editor, I believe that I, in the sports section, have made significant improvements over the past four months.

To those of you in the student body who feel the coverage The *Weekly* gives sports teams is lacking, I urge you to do something about it. Volunteer your time next semester and write. With only four regular staff writers, there's only so much we can do. The more writers covering games, the better the sports section will be.

To the Athletic Department, I also urge you to bear with me as I gain experience as Sports Editor. But I would also like to comment on charges of biased coverage of high-profile sports, and printing "controversial" material for the sole purpose of stirring up controversy.

High-profile sports are the sports that most members of the student body wish to read about, and with a limited staff and available space, some sports will inevitably be passed over.

As for controversial issues, *The Weekly* is not a public relations publication, and if a story is newsworthy, it will be printed, controversial or not.

Once again, thanks to all of you who have contributed this semester, and I look forward to the continuing improvement of the sports section next semester.

C.J. Lenat
Sports Editor

Columnist Argues the Merits of the Death Penalty

Conservative Corner
by Gene Bergenn

In light of the recent controversy surrounding the Gary Heidnik murder case, the question of whether or not the death penalty should be administered has been obstreperously raised. Gary Heidnik, the "House of Horrors" killer has managed to escape the death penalty because an assemblage of anti-death penalty protesters managed to promote a series of stays from state and federal judges. The judges later postponed the execution after Heidnik had come within two hours of being lethally injected.

Let us examine the behavior of this man and see whether or not he actually deserves such a punishment. Heidnik was convicted in 1988 of the slayings of Sandra Lindsay and Deborah Dudley. They were among six women who were kidnapped and shackled in Heidnik's basement. These women were raped and beaten. They were choked, handcuffed, and chained to water pipes for months. He electrocuted Dudley and dismembered Lindsay.' He then fed Lindsay's cooked flesh to the other captives. A jury rejected his insanity plea and handed him two death sentences.

This man should pay and pay with his life. But these anti-death penalty people seem to think that it is wrong to administer. They say it is immoral to kill and in so doing would only commit the same crime as the guilty party. Touching...but this type of thinking is complete and total nonsense. I wish each and every member of that little group was taken to the "House of Horrors". Let them spend a few weeks getting raped, beaten, choked and forced to eat hot flesh while padlocked in Heidnik's hell hole. I wonder if their opinions would change.

Every study done by the New York and Los Angeles police department has confirmed that it is a small percentage of the population who keeps committing the same crimes over and over. The streets are not completely saturated with criminals, but there are enough repeat offenders to keep the crime rate relatively high. Why can't we just put these monsters away, once and for all? If we put them away permanently, the crime rate in this country would plunge.

Why do we continue to fill our jails with the lowest life-forms on the planet? What sense does that make? Is there some magic that a jail cell provides which I am unaware of? If you take some mutant, and that's what these skunks are, and put him in jail, is he supposed to come out a law abiding citizen? Is it the air in the prison cell that healed him? The shower stall encounters? The food? The fine company?

I want to know why the death penalty is so hard to administer and why it isn't used more often. I believe strongly in the death penalty. It seems like the only answer to the most violent types of crime. But if the bleeding hearts continue to have their way, then the death penalty will become impossible to use in almost every state, and when it is used the average time to administer it will range from 12-14 years after the crime. If we lived in a sane world, here is who would get the death penalty:

All murderers should automatically get the death penalty; no exceptions.

Anyone convicted of attempted murder. This really makes me laugh. If someone shoots you, he shoots you six times, and somehow you survive, he will get a much easier sentence than someone who didn't miss a vital organ! We actually reward criminals with lousy aim! It's idiotic. His intention was the exact same as the murderer's and he should get death as a punishment.

Pedophiles should be executed for two reasons. One, they are extremely dangerous, and often they kill their tiny victims. I have heard psychologists whine about why they do what they do-maybe they blame the victim for enticing them. Who the hell cares what their excuse is? They did it, and they should die. A second reason that they should get death is that it has been proven impossible to cure these beasts. The sex prison in Vacaville, California recently revealed that this perversion has no remedy.

Arsonists should die. If no one dies in a fire it is a miracle. Every arson endangers lives, innocent lives, with every lit match, so they, like killers with bad aim, deserve the chair.

Rapists, too, should pay with their lives. Like child-molesters, they cannot be reformed. They suffer from an obsessive-compulsive behavior, and this can only be quashed by death. I also propose that if they are able to somehow avoid the death penalty, that they get their genitals blown off by a snake-round because jail-time in itself will serve no purpose.

All convicted spies and traitors should die. They steal secrets and compromise the integrity of our beloved country. They endanger the very nation we love. So they should fry(twice).

Now, I will make an exception for drunk drivers. Although you could make the argument that this is a compulsive behavior, I don't think someone says to himself, "Let me get blind drunk, and then get in my car and mow down some innocent people." However, I would dramatically increase the punishments that they receive.

I am against the death penalty for burglars, muggers, embezzlers, and those who commit crimes against property. I would even spare the lives of the bastards who assault, rob people at gun point, and peddle dope. But they should be punished severely, and there should be truth in sentencing; no more of this "time off for good behavior" garbage, no more "revolving door prisons"(Willie Horton come to mind?). If the sentence is five to ten years, then that person serves a minimum of five years; that's what five to ten means! They didn't behave when it counted-that's why they're in jail!

The World According to Me
by Josh Northridge

This Saturday we will be participating in a storied tradition known as Benfer Bash. Benfer Bash is a day-long celebration with games, food, and friends. It seems, however, that the school, in an attempt to control the Benfer Bash craziness of the past, is placing the following restrictions this year.

-No swearing, or you will be expelled from school.

-No one under the age of 21 may stand near a 21 year old who is drinking.

-If you are 21 and want to drink, you must be under the covers in a bed with the shades down.

-No one may say the word "beer" in front of a minor.

-No firecrackers.

-No one under the age of 21 may drink a beer while lighting a firecracker.

-Anyone may eat regular crackers.

-If a firecracker goes off, anyone over the age of 21 who spills their beer will be fined, as well as a minor who tries to lick up the puddle.

-Single file lines will be strictly enforced.

-The band has been replaced by Barry Manilow.

-Anyone who offers Barry Manilow a beer will be expelled.

-If you are over the age of 21 you may sing along with Barry Manilow.

-No throwing of beer or firecrackers at Barry Manilow, no matter how old you are.

-No saying "this sucks"

-If you are a minor and want to jump off the 3rd floor balcony, you may not hold a beer while doing it.

-Let's all have some good, clean, harmless, sober, nice, controlled, temperate, sedate, calm, proper, immaculate fun. I mean, we're college kids right?

This is the last article of the year, and the last Muhlenberg Weekly of the year. Have a happy and safe summer. And if you haven't read the student handbook cover to cover, take part of your day to do just that. I especially suggest the section on Library Regulations, it's very fascinating.

An Outside Perspective
by Mark A. Koup
Opinion Editor

The year is winding down, and our semester has come to a close. I must say I have had a great time writing and editing for the *Weekly* this year. As this is our final issue for this semester, I decided to reflect upon the year that passed on our campus and in the world that exists somewhere outside of Chew and Liberty streets.

There have been no student rallies or controversies with the administration that has captured our attention. President Taylor commented that our newspaper is often published without controversy. Well, that all changed when Gene Bergenn decided to contribute his opinions and writing skills to the newspaper. Conservative Corner, the column created by Bergenn drew much controversy and considerable dissent among students and faculty alike. However, although controversial, Bergenn sparked debate that the *Weekly* has not generated for quite some time. A student approached Gene and thanked him for giving her something to talk about Friday besides the previous night's activities. We as a staff would love to have more students write and hopefully generate more discussion among students. Anyone interested in writing is welcome to submit articles or columns to be published. I would also like to thank Josh Northridge for his humorous and unique positions on issues. Josh is becoming on of the *Weekly's* most popular columnists.

The world outside our campus has drawn much of my attention in this column in particular. I have tried to cover events in sports and the news that disturb or enlighten me. I appreciate everyone who has taken the time to write in and debate my position on issues. I am glad that students read the column and care enough to contribute their own opinions to our paper.

I submitted my first *An Outside Perspective* as a way to vent my frustrations over a news story that was so disturbing I wanted to be on record as stating a position opposite that of a jury of twelve people. Talking to other people about my positions didn't have the same impact that writing a column seemed to have. Writing provides a much larger audience. It turned out that I was persuaded to write once a week, and then later to become an editor. I hope this column has helped to bring news stories to the attention of people that would otherwise not be aware of them.

I hope that more students will decide to write for the *Weekly* next year. There is so much to be said, so many issues to discuss, and I can't possibly cover them all. I hope you all have a great summer and join us on the *Weekly* staff next year.

Editor-in-Chief Announces Resignation

This year has been very interesting, stressful, and rewarding for *The Muhlenberg Weekly*. When school opened in the fall, The *Weekly* was on the verge of collapse. However, due to the dedication and devotion of three editors, the newspaper survived through the semester. This semester, an entire new staff was recruited and the newspaper has experienced tremendous growth. The issues are getting longer, the number of pictures is increasing, and the number of campus events covered continues to grow. Throughout this year, I have attempted to build The *Weekly* so that this year there is not threat of collapse. Many improvements have already been made. A new printer was purchased to expedite layout and new computers will be coming over the summer. A new masthead was introduced in the fall to give the front page a more modern look. Also, the number of writers has increased dramatically. For the first time, we are no longer desperately looking for editors. The achievements of The *Weekly* this year have both surprised and pleased me. In publishing the newspaper every week, there are so many people on whom I have relied and I would like to thank them all. Jen Zwirn and Sherry Fazio have written the horoscopes for me for over a year now and have always been willing to help me out in any way I needed. I thank them for all their help. Dean Ehrenberg, Michael Falk,and Lina Striglia have all been of great help to me this past year. Their positions in administration and public relations have made them an invaluable source and support system for me. Our advisor, Dr. Schillinger, has always been helpful in putting major situation in the proper perspective and could be counted on for honest advice. She has been indispensable this year and her expertise in the area of newspaper production have been essential to the growth of The *Weekly*. Similar thanks go out to Lynn Septon, The *Weekly's* publisher. She always had the well-being of this newspaper in her mind and gave of her time freely. Also, thank you to all of the other members of the faculty and staff who have helped me this year in various ways. A special thanks goes to all of the brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon who were understanding of my responsibilities to The *Weekly* and helped devise a schedule under which I could both pledge and run the newspaper.

To all of the editors, I cannot say thank you enough. Each one of you has done a fantastic job and been responsible for some aspect of the growth we have experienced this year. Each one of you was brought in because of your willingness to work hard and do a great job. There are two editors in particular to whom my most special thanks go out. The first, Brian Teta, is the only editor who worked for two full semesters. He was always counted on to produce a great section with almost no help. The other, Heather Brown, took on the incredible task of serving as both News Editor and Magazine Editor first semester to make up for the lack of staff. Without these two, The *Weekly* would have collapsed last semester. They were willing to go the extra mile and put in the extra effort. I really thank them for being good editors, for pulling The *Weekly* through its toughest semester, and most of all for being good friends during a difficult semester. They have my eternal gratitude and thanks.

Being Editor has been a great experience. I have learned so many valuable lessons that I will carry with me. Although I am only going to be a junior, I have decided it is time for me to resign. The job simply takes too much time and I am planning on focusing my time on other organizations such as my class council and the Student Leader Committee.

I would like to thank everyone for giving me the opportunity to be your editor. Overall, it has been a great experience. I wish next year's staff the best of luck and I hope they will build upon the base that I built this year and take The *Weekly* to the next level.

A Common Strife
By Mark A. Koup
Opinion Editor

A few weeks ago, *A Common Strife* featured the opinions of several students and parents regarding having Easter Monday as a day of classes. The policy is now currently under review. Students often believe that if they submit something it "won't make a difference" because no one will respond to it. There have been several incidents that have proved students can indeed make a difference.

Jon Mandelbaum '99 wrote a letter to the editor complaining of poor quality ketchup and hamburgers served at the General's Quarters. A day after the letter was read by the people in food services, the ketchup and hamburgers were replaced by ones of higher quality. Jon took the time to submit a letter, and it made a difference. I want to encourage students to submit letters of both a positive and negative nature. You really can make a difference.

A Common Strife was a trial column for the last few issues of the *Weekly*. Due to the positive feedback from this column, we as a staff will make every effort to find relevant issues to discuss and suggest for improvement. Anyone interested in writing for *A Common Strife* should contact the *Weekly* office for details regarding next semester.

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Marty was the big loser in their game of Dress Poker.

"Well, now, I'm not exactly sure . . . it's real slow when I gotta order parts for these foreign models."

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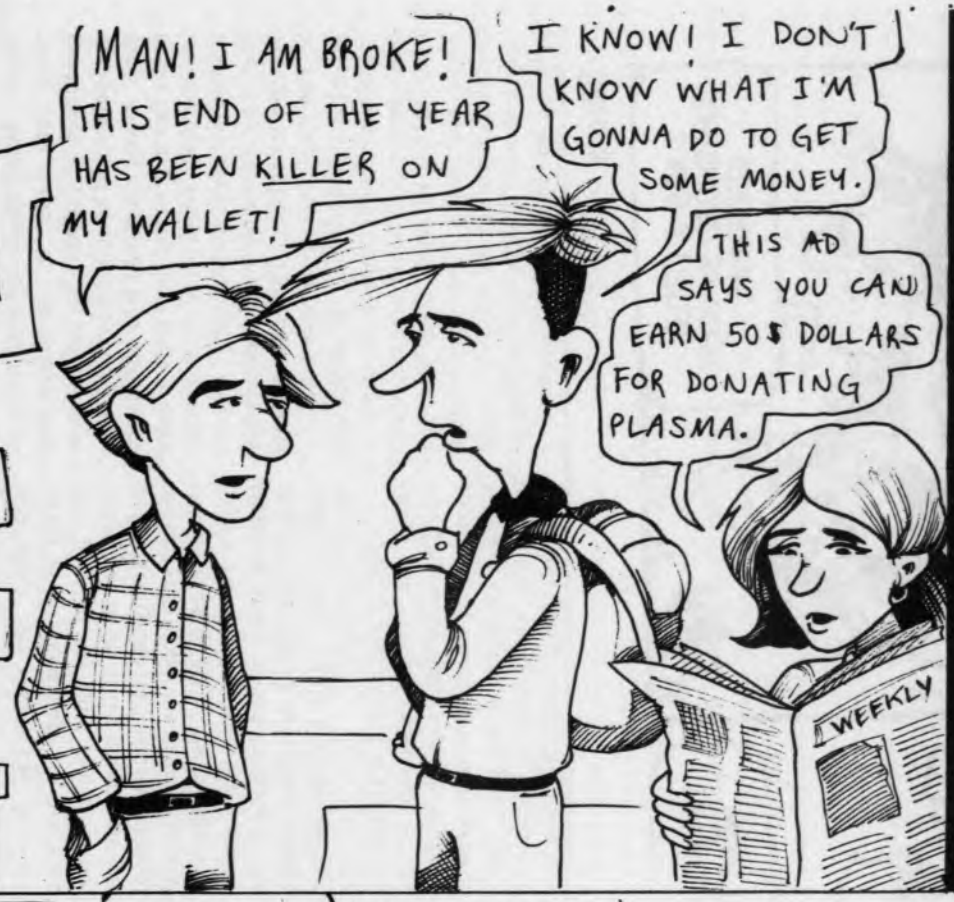
by Subbio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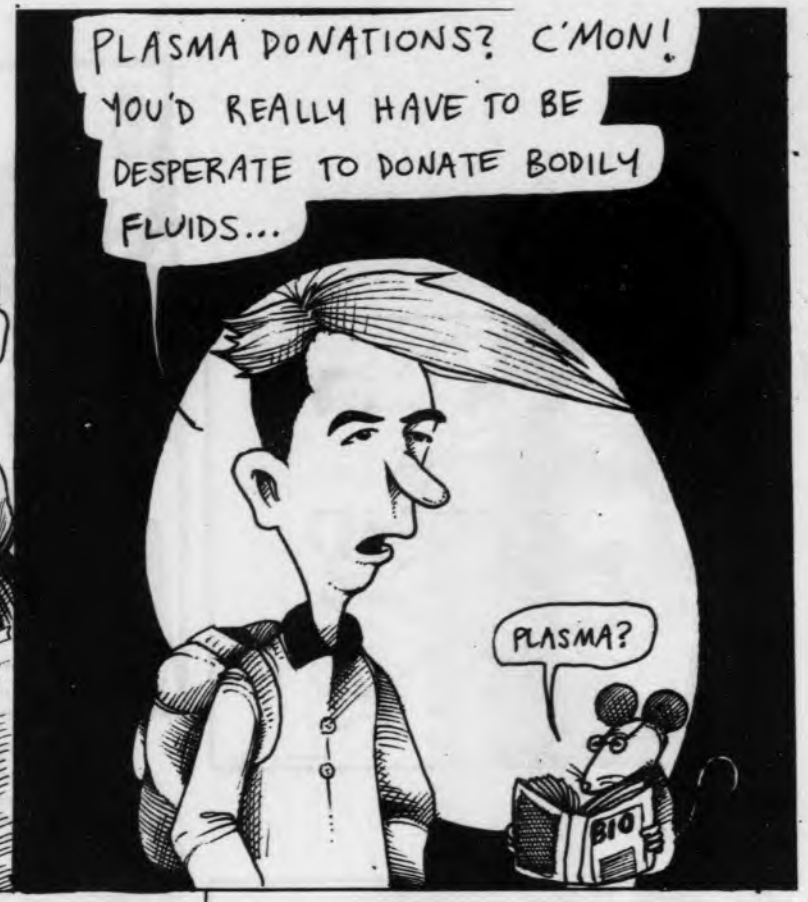

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3/26/97 - Information - Trexler library - complaint concerning pornographic video found in machine. A mother, with her 13 year old daughter filed the complaint after she hit play on a VCR in the Micromedia Room.

Softball team sweeps Allentown while two records are smashed

by Tracey McGee
***Weekly* sports writer**

The Mules Softball team had a great week, posting a 10-4 Centennial record while being 14-8 overall.

The women swept an important doubleheader on Monday night when they hosted Allentown College.

Two major school records were broken in the first inning of play, by two instrumental players.

Sophomore Ali Hatola recorded her twenty-first stolen base of the season, as Carey Hilton hit the thirty-two RBI mark.

The Mules took the first game by a score of 9-6, supported by the bats of Jackie Vanderstreet who had two RBI singles, and Khara Pappadakis who went 3-for-4.

The offensive barrage did not stop there, as Vanderstreet went 3-for-5 in the nightcap contributing four RBI to the 12-6 ending.

Hilton was 3-for-3, and freshman Christine Biechy contributed to a six-run second inning marathon with a two-run triple.

The Muhlenberg women face the College of New Jersey on Wednesday and the Bears of Ursinus pay a visit on Saturday. Both games are at home.....let's show the team our support...be sure to catch the action!

Muhlenberg Racquetball Club crowns champion

After a month-long tournament, the Muhlenberg Racquetball Club, in conjunction with Scott McClary of the Muhlenberg Athletic Department, crowned the 1996-1997 Muhlenberg College Racquetball Champion on Thursday, April 17th.

The man with the bragging rights is senior Paul Velho, who was also the Greek Week racquetball champion representing the TKE fraternity.

"I can't believe I won both!" commented a joyful yet exhausted Velho after the championship match. His victory came in a three-game war against freshman Stewart Solomon.

"It was a great tournament," said Muhlenberg Racquetball Club President Scott Burke,after enjoying the final match. "The play was intense all the way through. We encouraged racquetball players of all abilities to enter; the turnout was excellent this year and we hope to have an even bigger field next year."

In the first game, Solomon, demonstrated an explosive serve, low and fast to the backcourt, taking a quick ten-love lead.

Both Velho and Solomon demonstrated a high level of skill as accomplsihed racquettball players; showing patience, waiting for the ball to drop within inches of the floor; and exhibited court management, jockeying for the key center court position.

The finalists were also masters of the "kill" shot, a shot inwhich the player hits the ball so low and hard against the front wall that their opponent has no chance of a return. Although Velho elevated his game to a new level, Solomon was able to maintain his edge, and took the first game 15-7.

Velho would not go away so easily. "He came back with fire," Solomon said of Velho's second game performance. And fire it was. The action in the court heated up, the lead changed hands repeatedly.

Solomon demonstrated a good instinct for anticipating the ball, especially as it came off the back wall, and Velho began to place the ball with such skill it seemed as if he moved it by telepathy. Fending off a surging Solomon, Velho rallied his last few points to win 15-11.

In the third and deciding game, possession of the serve repeatedly changed hands. Velho took the lead early and held it for the rest of the match. Solomon never gave up.

In the final points, Solomon repeatedly dove for shots, only to get up, run, and dive to play another low shot. But it was Velho's day, as he won the third game 15-3 to claim the title.

"I knew it was going to be a battle against Goliath," Solomon said.

"It's only fair I won," said Velho, in good humor. "I'm a senior. Stew's got three more years to win this thing. He's got a good kill shot, and a good serve. We had a lot of good points."

"Some real nice volleys," agreed Solomon.

Truly, it was a fitting finalé to a great tournament. The match between Velho and Solomon showed racquetball for what it is: a thrilling game of heart-pounding adrenaline, lightening fast reflexes, and intricate strategy.

Information courtesy of the Muhlenberg Racquetball Club

photo by Carly Ringer

Muhlenber College's ice hockey team faces off against a recent opponent. The Mules' record this season is 3-5-1. Their last game of the season is Thursday, May 1, at the Ice Palace in Allentown.

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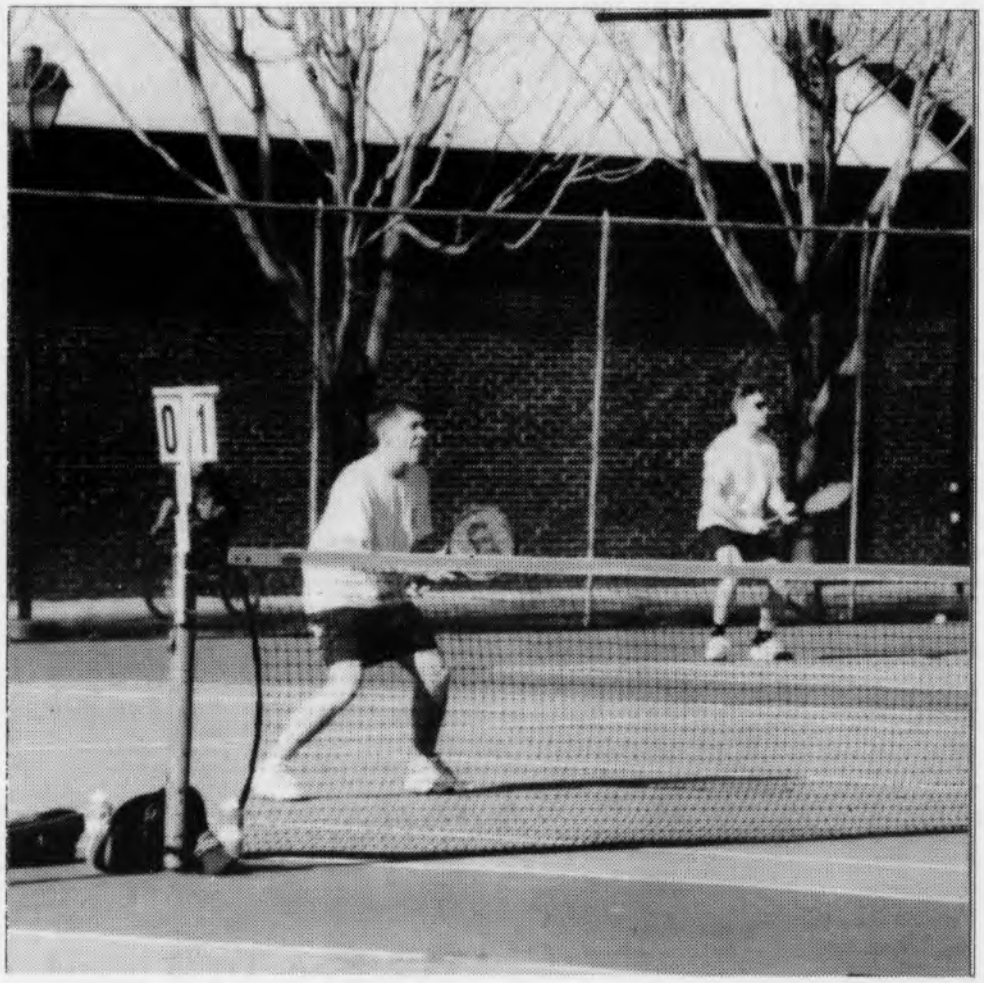
Profile of a Mule: Jared Shafer

A weekly series highlighting prominent Muhlenberg athletes

by Steve Faella
***Weekly* columnist**

With an overall record of 3 wins and 7 losses, there have been few bright spots for the Men's Tennis team. One such spot has been the spectacular play from their number five spot.



This is the home of sophomore Jared Shafer, who is the only Mule with a regularly winning record.

Jared is a psych pre-law major who hails from Mountaintop, Pennsylvania. Prior to coming here, he attended MMI Preparatory High School. His play this year should be no surprise to those from Mountaintop. He had a stellar career there including playing at the number one spot all of his junior and senior years.

Upon his completion at MMI Prep. the difficult decision of what college to attend arose.

"I like the atmosphere of a small school. That is one of the major reasons I decided to attend Muhlenberg," Shafer said.

Once again, we can thank our small size for attaining another good athlete, as well as a strong student.

Many people have trouble adjusting to the speed of the game at the college level. It never phased Jared though.

"I would not say I had a hard time adjusting, actually it was pretty easy. I just got into a groove early on, and everything else fell into place. Coach was a big help too, he made things easier," Shafer said.

Whatever he did worked, because this year Jared has become a major force in the Conference.

This year Jared has absolutely dominated the Centennial Conference, as well as everyone else he has played. He is currently 7-1 overall after winning his match against Allentown on Monday.

In conference he has knocked off four opponents, and has lost just once. He is the only member on the team with more than 3 singles victories and more than 2 in the conference. He also raised his doubles record to 4-5 with a victory over Allentown.

Perhaps Jared's biggest accomplishment this year was his victory over Washington College; becoming the first player to do so.

Washington is usually the team to beat, and were National Champions several years ago!

"It was a really cool feeling to win that match. Last year they kicked my butt, so it felt real good to go out and make up for last year. It also was cool to hear everyone behind me as I won," said Shafer.

Muhlenberg concludes its season at home against conference rivals Ursinus on Wednesday and Johns Hopkins on Monday. Come watch Jared raise his record to 9-1!-

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National Sports Update

The Chicago Cubs finally won a game after starting the season losing 14 straight games.

The New York Jets traded the top overall pick in this year's NFL draft to the St. Louis Rams, who used the top pick to select offensive tackle Orlando Pace. The New York Giants selected wide receiver Ike Hilliard with their top pick. The Philadelphia Eagles selected defensive end Jon Harris with their first round selection.

As of Tuesday night, the Philadelphia Flyers were beating the Pittsburgh Penguins three games to none in the best of seven first round Stanley Cup Playoff series. The New Jersey Devils were beating the Montreal Canadians 3 games to 0. The New York Rangers led their series 2-1.

Lameck Aguta of Kenya won the Boston Marathon Monday for his first win in four tries. Fatuma Roba of Ethiopia was the women's winner.

Pheonix Sun's guard Kevin Johnson has yet to finalize his retirement at the end of this season. Johnson had originally stated that this season would be his last, but reports are circulating that he may in fact return to the Suns next season.

PGA tour golfer Fuzzy Zoeller has issued a public apology for racist remarks he made against Master's champion Tiger Woods. Zoeller stated in his apology that his remarks were taken out of context and that they were "not intended to be racially derogatory."

Larry Walker of the Colorado Rockies and Ken Griffey of the Seattle Mariners lead the major leagues with nine home runs each. Kevin Brown of the Florida Marlins and Roger Clemens of the Toronto Blue Jays are the earned run average leaders.

Major League Baseball plans to implement a program that will allow games to be broadcast live over the internet.

New York Met starting pitcher Jason Isringhausen broke his wrist, an injury that will likely keep the young right-hander out until July or August.

The San Francisco Giants have the best record in baseball at 13-3.

Women's tennis team loses to Swarthmore

Lady Mules drop hard-fought match to conference rivals

by Scott Burke
Weekly sports writer

It was a beautiful day in southeastern Pennsylvania as the Muhlenberg Women's Tennis team traveled to Swarthmore to take on the Garnet Tide of Swarthmore College in a Centennial Conference match.

It was a great day of tennis under puffy white clouds as the Mules continued to refine their play against a team with one of the most unusual nicknames in all of Division Three.

The Garnet Tide is in the hunt for the Conference championship this year. They play very polished, very professional tennis. As they were to discover that April fifteenth afternoon, so do the Mules.

The contest began with a 6-3 Muhlenberg win. Number one player, junior Julia Hensley, overcame the top Swarthmore player in their first set.

However, the 'Tide rolled back to force a third set, which Swarthmore won 6-3.

The next two Muhlenberg players also fell, and senior and co-captain Kris Dieter, as yet undefeated, brought her opponent to a hard-played third set before taking her first defeat of the season.

Swarthmore won the last two singles matches, the last against Muhlenberg freshman Sharon Saferstein who made her intercollegiate tennis début this afternoon.

In the doubles matches, Muhlenberg began to show the teamwork and communication the team has been building throughout the season.

Though Muhlenberg dropped the first match, the second match duo of seniors and captains Mel Moore and Kris Dieter battled hard against their Swarthmore opponents, taking the match into an eighth game tiebreak, which Swarthmore barely claimed to win 8-7.

The last doubles match combined freshmen Julia Beyer and Sharon Saferstein. Beyer and Saferstein also took their opponents to an eight game tiebreaker, but now Muhlenberg won, bringing the final tally of this match to Muhlenberg one, Swarthmore eight.

In spite of the score, the Mules played some excellent tennis and may be positioning themselves for better team results in the future. It remained a beautiful day in southeastern Pennsylvania.

Two of the Muhlenberg players will go to the Women's Individual Centennial Conference Championships.

They are freshmen Kris Cahayla and Julia Beyer. The Championships shall be held Saturday, April 26th.

Last Saturday's match against Johns Hopkins University was canceled, but has been rescheduled to April 28th at Muhlenberg College.

Interested in writing sports for *The Weekly*? Many positions are now available for next semester. This is a great way to support your school and its athletic teams. Call *The Weekly* anytime and leave a message.

On Deck at the 'Berg

Baseball:
Fri. 4/25 @ Haverford
Sat. 4/26 @ Johns Hopkins

Softball:
Sat. 4/26 home vs. Ursinus @ 1:00
Tue. 4/29 home vs. Scranton @ 3:00
Thur. 5/1 home vs. Kean @ 3:00

Men's/Women's Tennis:
Sat/Sun 4/25-4/26 @ Centennial Conference Championships

Track:
Thur/Fri. 4/24-4/25 @ Penn Relays
Sat. 4/26 @ Moravian Invitational
Sat. 5/3 @ Centennial Conference Championships

Lacrosse:
Thur. 4/24 @ Washington
Sat. 4/26 home vs. Franklin & Marshall @ 1:00
Tue. 4/29 @ Ursinus

Golf:
Fri. 4/25 @ Centennial Conference Championships

Baseball Team Breaks School Records

29-3 Win Over Swarthmore Raises Record to 8-20

by Tracey McGee
***Weekly* sports writer**

The Muhlenberg baseball team played five games this week, including four against Centennial Conference opponents.

Their overall record was 8-20 at week's end, while thier conference record was 4-10.

Swarthmore visited on Tuesday and the Mules fought a winning battle, lasting four hours, but culminating in an 18-17 win. Sophomore Marc Lezinski picked up his third win of the season as Junior Dave Garbe's RBI hit in the bottom of the ninth inning propelled the Mules to victory.

A visit from Allentown College brought vastly different results as the Mules suffered a 13-4 loss.

The game did produce promising highlights as both Dave Sass and Dan Corbett crushed their first career home runs.

Pitcher Dutch Weaver was handed the loss, lowering his season record to 1-2.

The men next traveled to Franklin and Marshall on Saturday for a Centennial Conference double header. The Mules dropped both games by close margins, losing 3-2 and 4-2.

Both freshman Chris Owen and junior Jason Jack had strong showings on the mound. Owen pitched a complete game in the first contest, allowing only three hits and lowering his season ERA to 4.69.

But the excitement peaked on Sunday when the Mules traveled to challenge Swarthmore for the second time in a week. The men tied eight school records and set another one in a 29-3 rout.

The twenty-six run margin of victory crushed the previous school record.

Other team records that were tied include those for runs, hits (25), RBI's (24), and at-bats (50).

With an amazing fifty at-bats, something spectacular was bound to happen! Freshman Rick Bruckner, who entered the game hitting just .125 with nine hits all season, went 6-for-6, which tied a school record set forty-three years ago.

Bruckner and senior Tim Mantz also scored six runs each, tying another school record.

Chuck Draper drove in five runs with an amazing record-tying seven at-bats. Draper also tied the single-season school record for RBI's with 34.

On their way to victory, the Mules pounded out eight extra-base hits, including Dan Corbett's second homer of the season.

Brad Collins made a solid contribution as he drove in four runs. Collins also had two hits in the same inning for the second time that week.

Dutch Weaver added four RBI's as he belted out a single, double, and triple.

Sophomore southpaw Marc Lezinski reaped the benefits of his team's offensive and defensive prowess as he snatched his fourth win of ths season, striking out eight batters in the process.

The men next travel to Haverford on Friday and Johns Hopkins on Saturday as they close the season with three Centennial Conference matchups.

Men's tennis crushes Allentown College

photo by Carly Ringer

by Larry Carney
Managing Editor

The Muhlenberg Men's Tennis Team continues to improve on its season. On Monday, the team captured a non-conference win over local rival Allentown College. This year's team combines the leadership of co-captains Paul Lee and Sam Weiner with the tremendous young talent.

Demonstrating their young talent, freshman Joe Fenn and sophomore Jared Shafer were double winners in the Mules victory. Shafer won his match 6-0, 6-0 to keep his record a perfect one on the season. Shafer has won all five of his matches this season in the number five singles position.

However, the Mules suffered a great setback this week. Jon Mendelbaum suffered an injury that will cause him to miss the rest of the season. To compensate for the loss, co-captain Paul Lee will move into the number one singles position.

Sophomore John Briner commented, "The team has trained vigorously for our matches and we think we'll have great success in last matches of the season."

While the team has had success in matches outside the conference, the Mules continue to struggle inside the conference. They are 1-5 in the Centennial Conference and 3-2 outside of the conference.

However, a strong showing in this weekend's Centennial Conference Independent Tourney could change all of that. On Monday, they face another Centennial foe to face Johns Hopkins Blue Jays.

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